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FATAL BLAZE ON CASANOVA



PHOTO/ANTHONY CAMPA — CDF-CYPRESS FIRE

Flames were already burning through the roof of a Casanova Street home just after 9:30 p.m. Monday as a Carmel fire captain checked whether it was safe for firefighters to climb onto the two-story structure to battle the blaze. Almost 20 personnel from several fire departments responded but were unable to save the life of 92-year-old resident Eric Stoesser.

Modesto grandson called 911 in vain

By MARY BROWNFIELD

TOWELS DRAPED on a makeshift drying rack over a floor furnace caused the fire that destroyed a Casanova Street home and killed 92-year-old resident Eric Stoesser Monday night, according to the Carmel Fire Department.

With his grandfather in a desperate situation, Stoesser's grandson, William, called the Carmel Police Department from Modesto. He had been speaking with his grandfather on the phone when the elder Stoesser suddenly said there was a fire and hung up, according to Chief Sidney Reade.

Unable to get through to his grandfather again, William Stoesser first called 911 in Modesto and was told to dial 411 to get the number for the Carmel Police Department. Directory assistance never answered, the younger Stoesser said, leaving him to call a friend in Seaside who provided him with the number. Both of them called CPD.

Police Services Officer Gary Hawthorne called the fire department, which immediately responded to the scene.

"There were flames coming out of the windows to the north of the house and we had learned that the gentleman was still in there," said CFD Shift Commander Chuck August, whose crew was first on the scene. "But it was impossible to enter because the place was full of flames."

Assisted by firefighters from nearby Cypress and Carmel Valley fire districts, August and at least 10 other CFD personnel battled the flames, which were fueled by the large amount of magazines, flammable collectibles and other possessions in the home.

"That contributed to the intensity of the fire and affected our being able to get in and locate him," August said.

As soon as firefighters had the flames under control, res-

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Coastal planner wants big cut in size of new homes

By TAMARA GRIPPI

THE MOST controversial item in a set of changes proposed to the Carmel Local Coastal Program — that new homes be cut from a maximum of 1,800 square feet to just 1,200 square feet — was barely mentioned when the Carmel City Council reviewed a report on the plan this week.

The council, which met with the California Coastal Commission's acting district director, Charles Lester, to begin negotiating their differences over the proposed LCP, spent nearly four-and-a-half hours discussing numerous other aspects of the plan but steered away from the most obvious point of contention.

Carmel Principal Planner Brian Roseth's written staff report to the council stated, "The Coastal Commission staff is requesting reducing the allowed 1,800-square-foot building footprint to 1,200 square feet (approximately the existing average house size), thereby leaving more open space and

See **LESTER** page 10A

Ship's visit not a boom, but not a bust either

By TAMARA GRIPPI

THEIR FONDEST wish may not have come true, but Carmel Business Association officials are celebrating the fact that a Royal Caribbean Cruise ship did drop anchor in Monterey Harbor Sept. 18 and at least some passengers boarded a shuttle for a brief visit to Carmel.

"We view the day as a complete success," said CBA Executive Director Brenda Roncarati. "We came very close to breaking even and everyone we talked to said they would definitely come back to Carmel."

While the CBA was only able to sell 50 tickets for its

See **CRUISE** page 24A

HARPSICHORD CONCERT PICKETED BY BACH FESTIVAL STAGE CREW

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

MEN CARRYING placards loomed out of the dark on the Church in the Forest pathway Tuesday evening in Pebble Beach, exhorting concertgoers not to patronize the Bravissima harpsichord performance that was about to take place. The Carmel Bach Fest uses "unfair labor practices" and is "unfair to its workers," the protesters claimed. But they did so in a most polite manner.

Passing out leaflets which recommended, "Please do not patronize this event," the protesting Bach Festival stage crew nonetheless told theatergoers, "Enjoy the concert."

The Carmel Bach Festival "dream team" stage crew said they were "locked out" of the festival's Bravissima series.

"We believe the festival has illegally refused to hire the Bach Festival crew in an effort to intimidate, threaten and harass crew members for their union organizing efforts," the leaflet stated.

Yet Willem Wijnbergen, managing director and execu-

tive vice president of the Carmel Bach Festival, told The Pine Cone he was surprised to see the pickets because "we had not envisioned a stage crew for that particular concert. But especially because we are in a process with the National Labor Relations Board."

Wijnbergen said the union issue came up about a year ago "about the desire of the union to unionize the stage crew for the Bach Festival. There have been meetings and a hearing by the National Labor Relations Board, and we agreed mutually to hold an election sometime in July of next year during the festival so that the stage crew can vote for or against [unionizing]. We have to follow certain rules, and that is what we are doing," he said.

Wijnbergen said a petition of unfair labor practices was filed with the NLRB, and that the Bach Festival is answering it this week.

"We like our stage crew," he said. "We know this issue will be settled."

At press time, calls to members of the stage crew had not been returned.



PHOTO/TAMARA GRIPPI

CBA volunteer Carol Fergusson answered questions from Royal Caribbean passengers who visited while their ship was anchored in Monterey Bay. About 300 made the trip — albeit brief — to downtown Carmel.

MST MAKES THE LONG HAUL TO GILROY

By TAMARA GRIPPI

MONTEREY-SALINAS Transit's new bus service to the Caltrain station in Gilroy, launched Sept. 9, is meeting a need that has existed in Monterey County for years, according to general manager Frank Lichtanski.

"It has been the most requested service," Lichtanski said. "Our Gilroy ridership has been growing steadily from day one."

The price tag for the new bus service to Gilroy is

\$500,000 for the first two years. A federal air quality grant and a local grant from the Monterey Bay Unified Regional Air Pollution Control District helped fund the new long-distance routes.

While buses from MST's existing fleet are carrying the passengers to Gilroy right now, the company has already ordered new "commuter style" buses — with more comfortable, reclining seats.

Three trips a day run between the Monterey Peninsula and Gilroy, while five buses carry riders between Salinas and Gilroy each weekday.

Early in the morning each weekday buses depart from the Monterey Transit Plaza and the Salinas Transit Center and arrive in Gilroy in time for riders to catch the northbound Caltrain to San Jose and San Francisco.

In addition to the buses carrying commuters home to Monterey County in the evening, MST is also providing mid-day service that may help out students attending Gabilan College or people wanting to shop at the Gilroy outlet stores.

Lichtanski said the new service has attracted a variety of customers, including executives from the high-tech industry in Silicon Valley.

'Our Gilroy ridership has been growing steadily from day one.'

— Frank Lichtanski

"We're plugging Monterey County public transportation into the greater Bay Area regional network," Lichtanski said. "We've never had that link before. Now we're connected."

MST first discovered a market for public transit to Gilroy after the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake. As a response to the emergency, Caltrain temporarily extended its service to Salinas twice a day and attracted quite a few takers.

While Caltrain is considering bringing its trains to Salinas once again in the near future, Lichtanski believes there will still be a demand for the MST bus service to Gilroy.

"If the numbers are going to hold up, there will be a need and a plenty big market for both," he said.

Meanwhile, MST is already thinking about offering its Gilroy bus service on weekends.

Monterey to S.F., the public transit way

Buses leave Monterey Transit Center for Gilroy each weekday at 4:45 a.m., 10 a.m., and 4 p.m. and make the return trip at 6:23 a.m., 11:45 a.m. and 5:42 p.m. The weekday buses leave Salinas Transit Center at 4:45 a.m., 5:45 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 4:15 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. and return at 6 a.m., 7:05 a.m., 12:53 p.m., 5:42 p.m. and 6:42 p.m.

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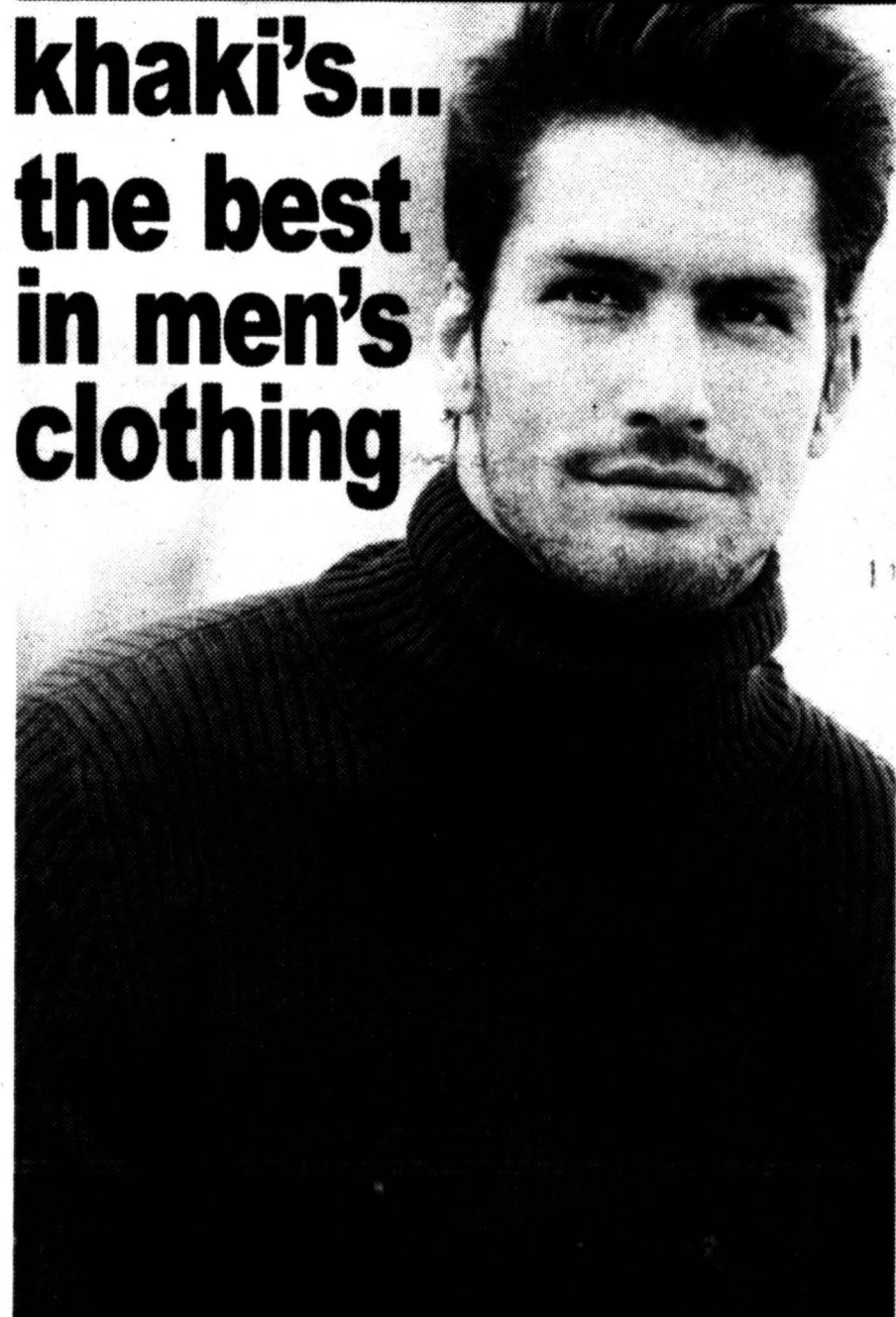
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Touring Palo Corona Ranch, Peninsula's scenic backdrop

By TAMARA GRIPPI

THE FIRST verdant mountain that comes into view as motorists leave Carmel on their way to Big Sur is part of the scenic Palo Corona Ranch. For decades, the ranch was private property. But now, it's the latest in a string of parkland acquisitions helping to preserve the world-famous scenery of Monterey County coast.

Not only is Palo Corona Ranch the scenic backdrop to the Carmel Mission and Carmel Middle School, its mountains are probably the very peaks that inspired Sebastian Vizcaino to name the area "Carmel" because of its geographic similarity to a mountain in the Holy Land.

The stunning landscape is so intertwined with the daily lives of the people here — it's there when you walk into Crossroads or mail a letter at the post office on Via Nona Marie — that sometimes the scenic land is taken for granted.

By preserving the nearly 10,000 acres of Palo Corona Ranch as open space, the Big Land Trust and the Nature Conservancy are able to not only protect wildlife habitat and open up areas of new hiking

trails, but save for future generations the exquisite view south of Carmel already a part of so many people's consciousness. "It's the most prominent land form in Monterey County," said land trust executive director Corey Brown. "When Tiger Woods looks up from the 18th Hole at Pebble Beach, that is what he sees."

The ridge that is so recognizable to the people of the Monterey Peninsula community is only a small portion of the Palo Corona Ranch, which begins just a block past the Crossroads Shopping Village and stretches 10 miles south all

the way to Los Padres National Forest.

The land — purchased from cellular phone mogul Craig McCaw for \$37 million last May — fills in the missing gap of a continuous 70-mile open space corridor from Carmel all the way to Hearst Ranch in San Luis Obispo County.

The \$2.6 billion bond measure passed by California voters earlier this year came just in time to provide \$32 million of state funds to buy the land. The remaining \$5 million to cover the purchase was contributed by the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District.

On a recent, bright September day, Brown and Bill Leahy, program director of The Nature Conservancy, lead a rare excursion onto the largest single piece of land ever preserved by the land trust.

Driving along the dirt roads left behind from the Palo Corona's ranch days is like taking a tour across California —

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The public will be able to witness Palo Corona's vivid wildflower displays when the land is opened as park.

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Police & Sheriff's Log

Police alerted to loud cleaning

HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Department last week.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A subject who had been drinking was loud and disruptive at the Carmel Mission. Contacted the subject, who was leaving, and transported him to Baker's Square at his request.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Citizen reported cleaning noises at southeast San Carlos and Fourth. Contacted a subject who advised he

was the only person cleaning and that he had only been sweeping and dusting. He was unsure what or who was being loud. He was advised to try to be quiet.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Contacted a subject sleeping in his vehicle at Valley Way and Monterey. DMV check revealed his license was revoked due to lack of knowledge or skill. He was advised not to sleep in his vehicle and also not to drive. He understood and admitted his license was revoked.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject came to the station to pick up a subpoena. It was served without incident.

Pebble Beach: Report of an animal problem

at a Majella Road residence.

Carmel area: Report of suspicious circumstances at a Rio Road residence.

Big Sur: Report of a casualty on Highway 1 at Hurricane Point.

Carmel Valley: Report of a subject missing from a Poppy Road residence.

Carmel Valley: Report of lost/found property at a Carmel Valley Road address.

Carmel Valley: Report of obstruction of a peace officer on Arroyo Seco Road.

Carmel Valley: Received information at an Arroyo Seco Road residence.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject was being loud and disruptive at Harrison Memorial Library. Contacted the subject, who was cooperative and decided to leave so as not to disturb the library any more today.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Junipero resident telephoned the sheriff's department to report he smelled poisonous gas inside his residence. The call was forwarded to CPD. Met with the resident, who suffers from schizophrenia. He reported his bath water had given him atheistic thoughts. He was evaluated and found not to be

committable or a danger to himself or others. He agreed to take his medication before retiring to bed and his father was advised to notify police if there were any further problems.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: San Carlos resident reported her neighbor was constantly making unwarranted complaints regarding such issues as tree removal, use of the driveway, and a fence which separates the two properties. She said her neighbor had trespassed but did not want the neighbor contacted because it might escalate the situation. She wanted it documented instead.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of two juveniles causing problems at the Carmel Youth Center. Contacted them and they admitted throwing glass bottles from a window in the gym, as well as making prank phone calls and using obscene language. It was reported the two are an ongoing problem when they are together. Juveniles were counseled and expressed remorse, and their parents were contacted. They were suspended from the facility for two weeks.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a possible prowler at Santa Lucia and Rio. Resident

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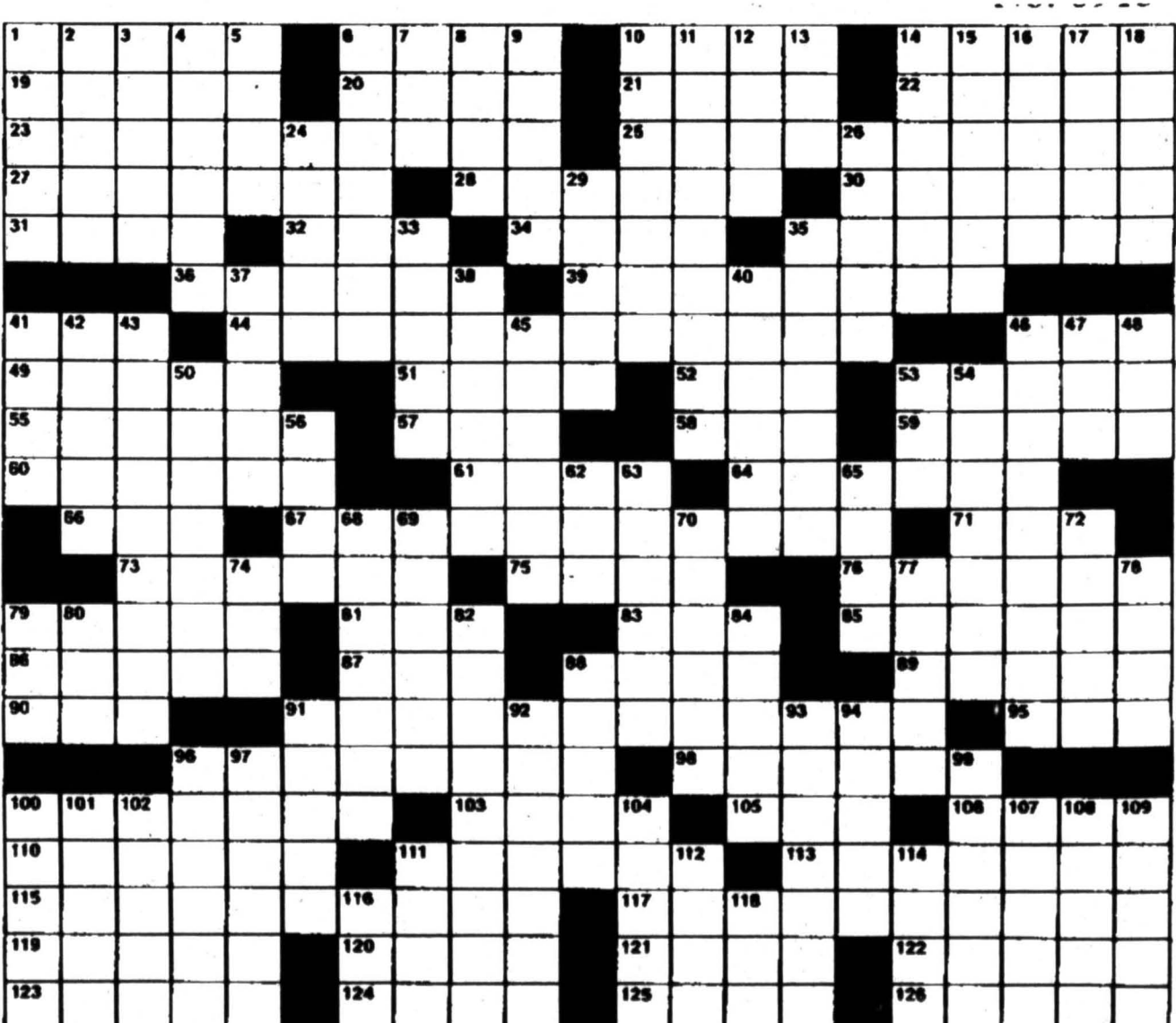
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- 10 Object of scientific dispute
- 14 Central point
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- 20 Soliloquy start
- 21 Mediterranean port
- 22 Hotpoint rival
- 23 Smears tar on a Dickens character?
- 25 Is abusive to promiscuous women?
- 27 Machine aperture
- 28 Cranston of old radio
- 30 Duds
- 31 Brown foe
- 32 Eiger, e.g.
- 34 Shuttle site
- 35 Capone portrayer, 1959
- 36 Mosque-goer: Var.
- 39 Not yours
- 41 Big mouth
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- 52 Santa ___
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- 58 ___'wester
- 59 Seagoing predators
- 60 Kind of goat
- 61 Literature class readings
- 64 Nike rival
- 66 The law, to Mr. Bumble
- 67 Manages to get caterers' supplies?
- 71 "Greetings" org.
- 73 Sham
- 75 Emperor of A.D. 69
- 76 Not ready to eat yet, maybe
- 79 Thou follower
- 81 Order at the Crown & Anchor
- 83 0% ___
- 85 Pulitzer winner Welty
- 86 Country singer Tucker
- 87 Juilliard subj.
- 88 Rock's Mötley
- 89 Laid-back
- 90 '01, '02, etc.
- 91 Condones eating soup impolitely?
- 95 Gray Panthers, e.g.: Abbr.
- 96 Old anchor
- 98 Get for less
- 100 Lavish

- 103 "Serpico" author
- 105 Archery bow wood
- 106 Quisling's city
- 110 False front
- 111 Tacked up
- 113 Ones working to end a drought
- 115 Gets footage of slapstick humor?
- 117 Ogles bridal wear?
- 119 "It's only ___!"
- 120 Sculptor Nadelman
- 121 ___ Sant 'Gria (wine)
- 122 Early jazz bassist Shapiro
- 123 Singer/actress Lotte
- 124 Round end
- 125 Like most graffiti: Abbr.
- 126 Surgeon's insertion

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- 1 Perth ___, N.J.
- 2 Oliver's "As You Like It" love
- 3 Whatsoever
- 4 Big Indian
- 5 Nevada city
- 6 Title role for Robeson
- 7 Comical character with a bowl haircut
- 8 Spy exchanged for Powers in 1962
- 9 Gurkha's land
- 10 One of the "Two Virgins"
- 11 "Happy Days" actress
- 12 Yahoos lack it
- 13 Sign
- 14 Yak, yak, yak
- 15 Cremona craftwork
- 16 Airline to Rio
- 17 ___ nous
- 18 Smart bomb's guide
- 24 Not just trim
- 26 Fills up
- 29 Zoo dividers
- 33 Fowl pole?
- 35 Woolgatherer?
- 37 Schindler of "Schindler's List"
- 38 Ore. peak
- 40 Cassiterite, e.g.
- 41 First word out of one's mouth?
- 42 TV's "The George & ___ Show"
- 43 Gives impromptu scathing reviews?
- 45 Declared
- 46 Gets quick cash from brewery stock?
- 47 Constellation near Norma
- 48 "Of course"
- 50 With ill humor
- 53 Break down



- 54 Study of versification
- 56 Korea Bay feeder
- 62 Outer: Prefix
- 63 Much of Libya
- 65 Ferrara family name
- 68 Not budging
- 69 Searcher's lament
- 70 Some catchers' chances
- 72 More upset
- 74 SAS listing: Abbr.
- 77 Expenditure
- 78 They may be kept on you
- 79 Where swill is served
- 80 Part of a guffaw
- 82 Cold treat
- 84 Make good on
- 88 Traction aid
- 91 Lisa of "The Cosby Show"
- 92 Quadrennial candidate of old
- 93 Allen of the N.B.A.
- 94 Unfamiliar with
- 96 Cold and damp
- 97 Exodus crossing
- 99 Senseless drawings
- 100 Butcher's scraps
- 101 Bush education secretary Rod
- 102 Collegiate Bruin
- 104 "Later"
- 107 Smack hard
- 108 The Soviets' Order of ___
- 109 Beginning
- 111 Lot of loot
- 112 Cannon of film
- 114 401(k) cousins
- 116 G.O.P.
- 118 It can get bruised

Answer to puzzle on page 9A

BANK ROBBERY SUSPECT ARRESTED IN MODESTO

By MARY BROWNFIELD

THE MAN suspected of robbing a Carmel bank Aug. 30 and then eluding police officers by driving the wrong way on the freeway was arrested by Modesto police last week on suspicion of committing a bank robbery there, according to the Monterey County Sheriff's Department.

John Jason Townzen, 29, remains in custody in Stanislaus County, where he is facing charges after allegedly writing a note on a paper bag indicating he had a gun, demanding money and fleeing from a Wells Fargo bank with a small amount of money Sept. 1, according to Deputy Bill Cassara.

According to a story in the Modesto Bee, Townzen's reported use of a paper bag tied with other robberies documented by the

FBI — including two in Monterey County in July and August.

Since his arrest, the Monterey County Sheriff's Department has also identified Townzen as a suspect based on evidence collected at the scene of the Aug. 30 incident — namely the remains of a cigarette a witness said he had been smoking outside the bank — eyewitness accounts and information he provided later during questioning.

Investigators believe Townzen entered the Fremont Bank on Carmel Rancho Blvd. around 10 a.m. that day, brandished a handgun, stole an undisclosed amount of cash and drove away in a maroon Ford Mustang. He escaped capture at the time by fleeing northbound on southbound Highway 101 near Prunedale through oncoming traffic at

speeds hitting 100 mph, according to Cassara.

The California Highway Patrol later found the vehicle abandoned on Salinas Road near San Juan Bautista and the sheriff's department impounded the car to process it for evidence.

Although the sheriff's department's investigation is complete and the charges will be submitted to the district attorney's

office after the Modesto case is resolved, the FBI might end up taking charge, according to Cassara.

"There's always the potential of further investigation because the FBI will be looking backward on this person, and who knows? He may be implicated going back years," Cassara said, adding that he did not know what other crimes Townzen might have been involved with in Monterey County.

County sets first meeting on PB EIR

THE FIRST step in what promises to be a lengthy permit process will take place this week when Monterey County planning officials hold a "public scoping" meeting on the environmental impact report for the Pebble Beach Company's plan for build-out in Del Monte Forest.

The scoping session, to identify environmental issues that should be analyzed in a

new EIR, will take place Sept. 25 at 4 p.m. at the Monterey County Leadership Center, 2354 Garden Rd., Monterey.

In November 2000, voters approved Measure A, which designated 400 acres as open space and eliminated more than 750 potential home sites in Del Monte Forest. The P.B. Co. decided to build a new golf course and about 150 hotel rooms instead.

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Monterey County ahead of the state in terror threat response

By TAMARA GRIPPI

ON THE day before the anniversary of Sept. 11 when the U.S. Office of Homeland Security elevated the nation's threat condition to Code Orange, the Carmel fire and police departments knew exactly what to do.

Fire Chief Sidney Reade explained that the two stations went into lockdown mode, coordinated their routines, began checking in with major resorts to see if any special events were planned that might need protection, increased surveillance, and provided closer patrol to potential targets.

The agencies were relying on a newly developed set of

guidelines spelling out how local emergency personnel should respond to the threat levels announced by the Office of Homeland Security. "This is a major step in the right direction," said Harry Robins, manager of the Monterey County Office of Emergency Services. "It will let everybody know what the other agencies are doing. That in itself is one of the most critical things for us."

A task force of emergency officials put together the new "threat condition matrix," which was officially approved by the Monterey County Fire Chief's Association Sept. 18.

Though the guidelines are still waiting to get the official OK from the rest of participating county agencies, they are already in use. Carmel Police Chief George Rawson will present the guidelines to the county's law enforcement chiefs association at the group's next meeting.

Other jurisdictions throughout the state have already been using Monterey County's system as a prototype for developing their own threat level guidelines. "An hour-and-a-half after Code Orange was established last week, I received a call from the office of emergency services for the 15 coastal counties wanting a copy of our checklist," Robins said.

The need for a local set of guidelines to coincide with the national threat levels was first brought up during a conversation between Reade and Robins soon after the nation's five-color system was established.

"When the federal government said we're going to have a color system and we're at yellow, I said to Harry, 'What does yellow mean to us?'" Reade said. At that point Robins and Reade decided to bring the issue to all of the county's emergency agencies.

Typically the local threat level status comes directly from the feds. However, certain jurisdiction or the whole county have the option to upgrade to a higher level if local officials have found evidence of a more imminent threat.

"If Monterey County's 911 centers are getting information and all the surveillance comes together that we have a credible threat in Monterey County, we may go to Code Red," Reade said.

The Department of Homeland Security's five-color system includes green (low threat), blue (general risk), yellow (significant risk), orange (high risk) and red (severe risk). When the new system was put in place soon after the Sept. 11 attacks, the nation's threat level was designated Code Yellow — significant risk — and has never been reduced to a lower level, though on several occasions it was raised.

The Code Orange threat announced last week is still in effect.



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Too-large house can't be remodeled, planners say

By MARY BROWNFIELD

A CARMEL couple cannot tear down an old workshop on their property and then construct a small addition onto their San Antonio Avenue home because the home is already larger than would be allowed by the current zoning code, planning commissioners said Sept. 11.

The commission took that stance even though the net effect of the remodel project would be to reduce the amount of building on the property owned by Stan and Sharon Meresman.

Rather than reject the plan outright, the commission granted the Meresmans and their architect, Terry Latasa, a few months to come back with another proposal.

Planning director Christi di Iorio told the commission the Meresmans must comply with a city ordinance intended to reduce nonconformities. According to the law, buildings which are "voluntarily demolished" are subject to the modern code when they are rebuilt. The Meresmans' project, which would remove 196 square feet and then add 122 square feet, is a partial demolition and therefore subject to the ordinance, she said.

But Latasa argued that the change would reduce floor area and other nonconformities in setbacks, volume and site coverage. It is exactly what the city wants to happen with nonconforming houses, he said, and should therefore receive the commission's support.

The planning commission approved a similar project two years ago, Latasa said, setting the precedent for approval of his.

In addition to facing legal challenges, he added, the city might end up with people unwilling to improve their homes if that means losing floor area.

"If this project is denied, I guess what that means is all we can do to this house is remodel," the architect said. "Applicants will never have any incentive to demolish non-

conformities, only to maintain every bit of nonconforming floor area because they don't want to give it up."

Stan Meresman said the work would occur in the interior court yard of the house and would not be seen from the street.

"We brought our neighbors by to take a look, and each was in full support of the project," he said. "We feel this is a small project that enhances the usefulness of our home and we hope you'll consider it with fairness."

"We live with the ghosts of bad precedents here, and that doesn't mean that is a reason or an excuse to cause further injury to Carmel with another precedent," chairman Frank Wasko responded. "So it's my point of view that that has no weight at all."

"It appears there's resistance to coming to grips with the rules that Carmel has established," he continued, pointing out the home's failure to meet standards for site coverage and setbacks. "What I'm hearing is more an excuse to do what I consider unfair to other applicants who are trying to follow the rules."

Commissioner Robin Wilson adopted the opposite view.

"I cannot conceive how this project does anyone harm. It may provide room for more flora or fauna and is totally invisible to anyone outside the house, and I can't see why we would not approve it," he said. "There are rules, but that's why we're here: to make sure the city doesn't just blindly follow the rules."

His motion for approval died for lack of a second.

After the motion to deny the project was made and seconded, Wasko asked Latasa and the Meresmans if they would consider redrawing the plans.

Latasa doubted his clients would want to lop more than 900 square feet off their home and garage to bring the floor area down to the allowed 2,069 square feet before they can improve it, but said he would try to develop plans the city could approve.

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Public restrooms, toxic algae, wind power highlight Keeley's year

By MARY BROWNFIELD

EVER WONDER what your state legislator does all day long?

California Assemblyman and Speaker ProTem Fred Keeley — who divides his time among offices in Sacramento, Santa Cruz and Monterey and said he often works 14 hours a day — got more than a dozen bills through the Legislature this year. Nine, including those granting

inheritance rights to domestic partners and requiring restaurants to have public restrooms, have already been signed into law by Governor Gray Davis.

"Of the 19 bills I was able to have passed by the Legislature and put on the governor's desk, there are 19 different ways these ideas came to my attention," Keeley told The Pine Cone.

Some were inspired by his deep involvement in certain issues, such as the state's energy crisis, while others were borne of concerns expressed by his constituents.

While government might seem an unwieldy, slow-moving machine, Keeley said the legislative branch is far more accessible than the executive or judiciary branches.

"You're not going to get the governor on the phone, and with the judicial branch, you have to file suit or at least hire a lawyer," he said.

But a resident of Keeley's district who wants to get a law passed usually starts by calling him and making a case for it.

From there, information is compiled to determine the best way to handle the request, including whether it's been attempted before and what potential support or opposition exists.

"Almost all legislators have a legislative request form they ask people to fill out," he explained. "It helps us to understand you and we want you to understand the world we work in."

Keeley's bills already signed into law by the governor include:

■ AB 892, which makes technical changes to the Marine Life Management Act and the Marine Life Protection Act "to ensure the conservation, restoration and sustainable use of California's marine resources" by clarifying the fish and game commission's authority to set permit fees based on the costs of the program and extending the deadline for the commission's master plan of marine protected areas;



Fred Keeley

■ AB 2219, which requires many restaurants and other food establishments to provide customers access to restrooms for purposes of common courtesy and public health;

■ AB 2519, which demands that charities planning to dissolve include proof verified by the Attorney General that their assets have been disposed of properly;

■ AB 2216, which grants inheritance rights to domestic partners who register with the Secretary of State;

■ AB 2214, which puts an end to the proposal to build a low-level radioactive waste disposal area in Ward Valley (near the Colorado River in San Bernardino County) and establishes containment standards for any

sites proposed in the future;

■ AB 2274, which uses information gathered from environmental groups and off-road motorsports enthusiast organizations to reform the O.T.-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation program, including the allocation of funds, implementation of noise standards and safety enhancements, and increased environmental protection;

■ AB 2356, which restricts the use of clopyralid, an herbicide that might contaminate compost, on lawns and turf;

■ AB 2440, which requires Caltrans to respect the scenery when maintaining or approving Highway 1 through Big Sur — designated an "All-American Road" by the federal government; and

■ AB 2461, which offsets the costs of new light-duty alternative-fuel vehicles over conventional vehicles by an exemption from the vehicle license fee.

The remainder await Davis' autograph.

■ Written to encourage the use of solar and wind power, AB 58 allows people tapping into those energy sources to send their excess back to the state power grid and receive compensation by having their meters run backward. Already permitted for residents, the bill would extend the opportunity to business, agriculture and government.

■ AB 879 would extend the temporary \$1 additional vehicle license fee currently being used by local law enforcement agencies for fingerprint technology.

■ AB 930 would empower local agencies to ensure the conversions of mobile home parks to private ownership are not being done to end rent control. The new law would require a park owner to obtain a survey of support from the residents and submit it to the agency before subdividing and selling.

■ The California Department of Fish and Game could restrict recreational boating in water where a toxic and invasive algae, *Caulerpa taxifolia*, is found, if AB 1059 is passed. Believed to have been released from a drain at the Oceanographic Museum of Monaco, the algae has already devastated more than 1,000 miles of the Mediterranean coastline and has been found near Carlsbad.

■ AB 1173 would require the California Air Resources Board to conduct a one-year study of indoor air pollution and

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Landowners object to 40-acre minimum lot size

By MARY BROWNFIELD

CARMEL VALLEY property owners told the board of supervisors this week they fear a new 40-acre minimum lot size in most of the valley will hurt property values and take away their rights.

But the authors of the county's new general plan insist the new minimum lot size was only proposed to stop subdivisions throughout the county and will affect just a few landowners.

At two days of meetings this week in Salinas, county planners said they decided the best way to stop more subdivisions — already restricted by a moratorium in the valley — would be to place the "rural land" minimum lot size of 40 acres on property outside specifically marked urban areas (called "rural centers"), including Carmel Valley Village, mid-valley and the south of the valley.

The change would lower some property values, since their subdivision and resale potential would disappear, and lot-line adjustments would no longer be allowed on undersized lots, real estate appraiser John Piini told the board Sept. 17.

But the change would not prevent people from building or improving homes or operating businesses on existing lots, even if they are smaller than 40 acres, assistant county administrator Jim Colangelo said.

Rancher Russell Wolter, whose family owns a large tract between Earthbound Farm and Quail Lodge, doesn't want zoning changed from 2.5 acres per lot to 40.

He also complained that he wasn't notified of the change in zoning, which would dramatically cut the value of his land.

Attorney Aaron Johnson objected to the downzoning of parcels owned by two of his clients, Monterra Ranch and Nanda Woods. Those lands are suitable for smaller lots, he said, because they have plenty of infrastructure already in place.

Representing All Saints' Day School, attorney Christine Manasco said the school wants to buy land next door currently zoned for 2.5-acre parcels. It then might want to subdivide the property and sell part of it to finance the land acquisition, but because the school is in the 40-acre area, that would no longer be possible if the general plan is approved.

The government affairs director of the Monterey County Association of Realtors, Sheryl McKenzie, said she was presenting 1,100 members and in a small way thousands of landowners who don't realize that if a 40-acre minimum is adopted by the board, they will have legal nonconforming lots.

Even if they are considered legal, nonconformities send many red flags which can make it more difficult to sell, improve and insure property, McKenzie warned. And laws prevent people from making changes to land that does not conform with current codes.

"One size doesn't fit all and the 40-acre minimum is very inappropriate in some areas of the county, but to blanket it in every part of Monterey County except rural and community centers is short sighted," she said.

But changing the lot size — not the actual uses allowed on property — would only affect landowners with unsubdivided large parcels currently zoned for smaller lots, according to Colangelo. Even though many businesses, schools, departments, restaurants and hotels fall outside the boundaries of the more developed rural centers, those uses would continue and would not be considered nonconforming, he said.

"It's not going to affect anything you'd be able to do,"

Colangelo told The Pine Cone. "The intent was limiting the ability to subdivide."

He said his staff will add wording to the General Plan Update that clarifies that, and also told the board the plan could be written to allow some lot-line adjustments on nonconforming lots.

But the lot-size limit could lead to mandatory mergers down the road, according to Johnson. If a landowner has three contiguous parcels totaling 40 acres, he said, the county could require him to combine them.

While the Subdivision Map Act leaves that decision in the hands of the county board of supervisors, Monterey County Counsel Adrienne Grover said the board could also prevent it.

"You could certainly say the intent of the plan is not to lead to a legal demand for the merger of parcels," she said.

Desiring more time to ponder the plan, the board scheduled another discussion for 1:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20 in chambers at the Monterey County Courthouse complex on Church Street in Salinas and might extend the issue into next week.

Because significant changes are being made to the draft General Plan Update, its Environmental Impact Report will need to be updated and recirculated for public comment, according to Colangelo. After supervisors make their comments, the plan will be sent back to the planning commission for more hearings and then return to the board for final approval.

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more room for trees."

However, Lester, who has already met with Roseth on several occasions, didn't press that issue when he spoke to the council and left the door open for other approaches to preserving Carmel's ambiance.

"We've recently gotten to the point of talking about the community's desire to live and grow and also preserving the character of the town," Lester said. "We have not finished thinking about this particular issue, and I don't have a staff recommendation at this point."

The council shied away from talking about reducing the maximum home size on 4,000-square-foot lots and agreed to let Roseth and the city's staff continue working with Lester

and his associates.

Carmel Mayor Sue McCloud and other council members made an effort to show a spirit of cooperation to Lester and coastal planner Mike Watson, who also attended the meeting.

When Roseth told the council the issue of home design guidelines best suited to preserving Carmel's town character "is perhaps the one issue about which the two staffs are furthest apart," McCloud interrupted him.

"I'm not sure that's the case," the mayor said.

City councilman Gerard Rose defended the home design standards recently enacted by the city — a project four years in the making. "I am very proud of our design guidelines," he said.

Until 1985, one-story homes on standard lots in the city were restricted to 1,600 square feet, while two-story houses could be up to 2,450 square feet. Since then, both one and two-story houses have been limited to 1,800 square feet. The new design guidelines also restrict the volume of homes.

While Lester agreed the guidelines "are quite good and quite detailed," he said new homes being brought to the commission for permits don't adequately reflect those guidelines.

He delivered a presentation to the council highlighting the recent increase in demolitions, which spiked during 2000 with 30 applications. The older homes, which averaged just under 1,200 square feet, were replaced by new homes close to the 1,800-square-foot limit in most cases, Lester said.

Later in the meeting, Roseth provided his own report on demolitions offering a different perspective. When compared with requests for remodels, demolitions only accounted for a small fraction of the building permits granted each year, Roseth said. "The vast majority of properties are being maintained," he said.

The council and Lester made some progress on other outstanding issues at the Sept. 17 meeting, including the city's nighttime parking ban on Scenic Road, which was in place for 17 years before the coastal commission ordered the city to remove the no-parking signs because they interfered with beach access.

While it's doubtful the original ban on parking — from one-half hour after sunset to 5 a.m. — would win favor with the coastal commission, Lester said he would be happy to consider a less stringent ban, such as midnight to 5 a.m.

"In Pacific Grove and on the state beaches, almost everywhere there is no parking between midnight and 5 a.m.," Councilwoman Paula Hazdovac noted.

The city's prohibition on new motels, which was criticized by the coastal staff in a letter to the city last year, also received clarification. Lester said that he's not interested in requiring additional motels but wants to make sure the current level of accommodations is maintained.

The council will hold its next workshop on the LCP — taking up historic preservation — at 5 p.m. Oct. 8.

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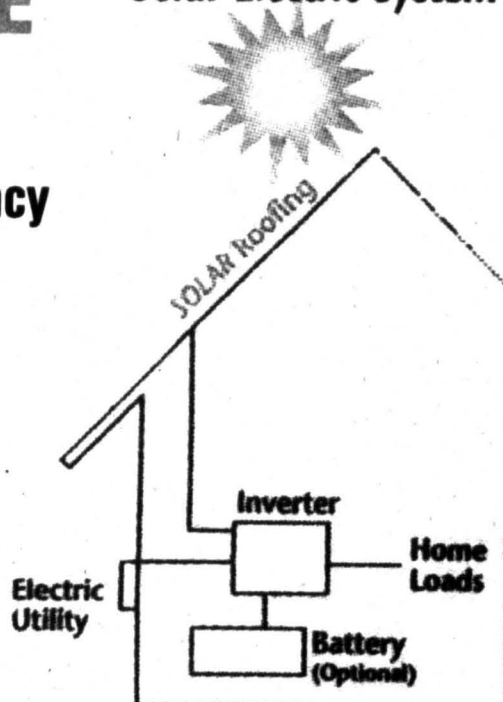
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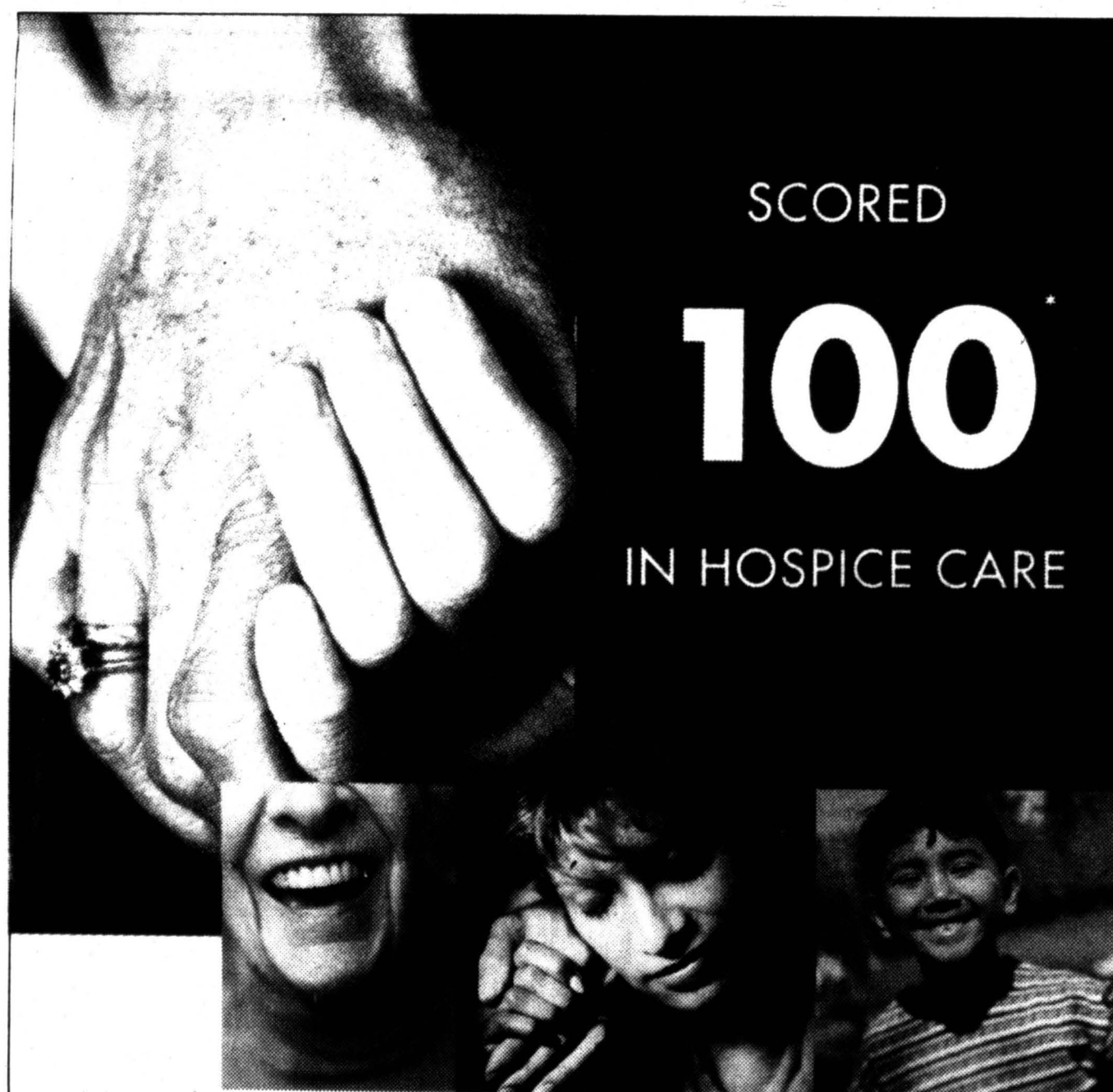
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Big Sur Health Center needs help getting out of decrepit trailers

By MARY BROWNFIELD

IT STARTED 23 years ago as a once-a-week clinic in the kitchen of a Big Sur meeting hall.

But now the nonprofit Big Sur Health Center has grown into a full-time medical office offering the only place to see a doctor along a 75-mile stretch of Highway 1. The center has literally worn out its current home on the grounds of All Saints Episcopal Church (three miles south of Andrew Molera State Park), and its small staff has launched a fundraising drive for a new building.

Its current offices — housed in two trailers that were already more than a decade old when Community Hospital of the Monterey

Peninsula donated them in 1985 — are at the end of their lifespans, according to Sharen Carey, a physician assistant and administrator of the health center.

"They're starting to disintegrate," she said. They have pressboard floors — now worn through with holes — and seem to leak every winter.

"If we repair one more thing there's not going to be anything left."

The health center, staffed by two doctors, a physician assistant, a registered nurse and a receptionist, hopes to raise money for a new building through grants and a benefit dinner Oct. 11 at Rancho Cañada.

If the county and the church approve, workers would remove the old buildings and bring in a new, larger modular building, according to Carey. The clinic would temporarily relocate back to its original home — Grange Hall — while the new building installed, outfitted, and connected to power and plumbing.

Since it was volunteer effort and donated dollars that enabled the Big Sur Health Center to open in 1979 and then move and expand six years later, Carey hopes good-hearted residents and business people will support the new plans as well.

"It took everyone's cooperative efforts to get the center started," Carey said. In 1979 Big Sur residents — many of whom had no medical insurance — approached CHOMP emergency room doctor Saul Kunitz and his nurse wife, Katherine Penebre, and asked for their help.

With the county, the hospital, local businesses and others pitching in, the couple opened the center, which offered treatments for minor injuries, blood pressure checks and some examinations.

"It was basic healthcare, and in the early days, you just lined up," said Carey, who first got involved in 1985. Payment was set on a sliding scale.

Today, most of its patients are insured,

and the medical staff sees people five days a week. In addition to serving as the family practice for many Big Sur residents, the health center also treats sick and injured tourists.

"We are a nonprofit community clinic — we treat all patients regardless of ability to pay," she said. To handle its bills and pay its staff, the center relies on county and state programs and grants, as well as private donations. The Big Sur River Run and the Big Sur International Marathon contribute to the center.

"We would never be able to stay open since our fees for service would not sustain us," Carey said. "And we're not large enough to qualify for federal funds."

Refuge during emergencies

The health center also becomes the go-to place during emergencies.

When a chunk of Highway 1 slid down the hillside during winter storms four years ago, Big Sur was cut off from the Monterey Peninsula for two weeks.

"No one could get in and out by auto, and

we stayed open seven days a week," she said. "We went out in cars and did home checks in the more rural parts where there wasn't any phone access, and we were able to have medicines and supplies flown in by helicopter."

The health center became the information center for stranded residents, and even had pet food delivered and brought a vet in to visit so locals could continue taking care of their animals.

"When we have road closures, everybody comes out to help," Carey said. "The health center has become many things."

With about \$30,000 in the bank for its building fund, the health center hopes the Oct. 11 event will help cover a significant chunk of its \$160,000 project.

Spearheaded by Sam and Edie Karas, the fundraising dinner will begin at 6 p.m. at Rancho Cañada and will include entertainment and a live auction. Tickets are \$100 per person. To receive an invitation, call the health center at 667-2580 or send a note and check to Health Center Benefit, 46896 Highway 1, Big Sur, CA 93920.

Speed reigns at Laguna Seca

SCREAMING RACECARS averaging more than 100 mph on a race track with some corners the average driver would take at 20 mph will vie for the checkered flag during the Monterey Sports Car Championships at Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca Sept. 20-22. Featuring American Le Mans Series cars flaunting the latest technology and blistering speeds, the weekend also includes a bevy of other races, such as the stock car SPEED World Challenge, the open-wheel Star Mazda series, the 70-car Mazda Miata Challenge and World SuperKarts, which utilize 250cc motorcycle engines.

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By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

A THREE-DAY wine festival to celebrate one of the smallest wine appellations, Carmel Valley, is planned for Oct. 4 through 6 at various venues in and around Carmel Valley Village.

The third annual Carmel Valley Wine Festival will kick off with an evening of tasting room open houses from 6 to 8 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 4. A \$30 admission ticket also includes wine and appetizers. Bernardus, Heller Estate, Joullian and Talbott wineries will hold tastings on premise, while Chateau Christina, Galante, Georis Winery and Parsonage Village Vineyard will be pouring their wines in the Georis Winery Tasting Room gardens at 4 Pilot Road, Carmel Valley Village.

A quarter barrel wine auction is planned from 6 to 9 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 5 at Jan De Luz Antiques, 4 East Carmel

Valley Road. Valley winemakers will pour samples of their best wines so that participants are able to bid knowledgeably on six-case lot offerings. Local restaurants will provide food. Limited tickets are \$50 per person, and absentee wine auction ballots are available. Call 659-1050 or visit the web site at CarmelValleyWineFestival.com.

A grand wine tasting and live auction will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. the concluding day, Sunday, Oct. 6. Participating wineries are Bernardus, Chateau Christina, Heller

Estate, Galante, Georis, Joullian, Parsonage Village Vineyard and Talbott. Gourmet treats will be provided by the Corkscrew and Casanova restaurants, and informative seminars will take place throughout the day.

Large format bottles and special vintages will be auctioned to benefit the Carmel Valley Community Center. Tickets are \$65 per person. Maximum number of guests is set at 250.

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Coffee/Cocoa Bar opens in Carmel Plaza

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

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The newly opened Carmel Coffee & Cocoa Bar will feature these in such drinks as chocolate truffle cocoa, the "ultimate" Scharffen Berger cocoa, kids cocoa, and Mexican hot chocolate at the Carmel Plaza shop across from Coldwater Creek and Books, Inc.

Owners Dean and Janet McAthie — who also own two Carmel Valley Coffee Roasting Company shops and the Dakota Coffeehouse at The Crossroads — said they have introduced a "cozy, rustic, Eurocharm to the store and offer a few unique menu items." In addition to freshly roasted coffee and espresso, the McAthies offer frappés, fruit smoothies, tea, fresh-baked cookies, pastries, cakes, donuts and

other sweet treats.

Hours are 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. until the end of the year when winter hours will vary slightly. Internet and e-mail access will be available beginning in October.

A NUTRITION CLASS IN THE GARDEN



PHOTO/MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

Mark Marino, research and development organic farmer for Earthbound Farm, addressed fourth graders at Carmel River School this week on the difference between organic and conventional farming and gardening. Students are shown here in the large, fenced garden at the school where organic produce is grown as part of the Healthy Living Program instituted by principal Sharon Douglas and parents three years ago. It is overseen by Chris Robertson and by Ellen Fondler, who started the garden in 1992.

Sylvia Georis is in charge of the Healthy Living program's visiting chefs who come to the school to demonstrate how to prepare simple and nutritious food. Chef Chris Caul of Corkscrew Cafe will visit in October, to be followed by Stephen Blackwell of Peppoli, Gerry Regester of Stillwater Bar and Grill, Elias Lopez of Roy's and Brandon Miller of Stokes Adobe.

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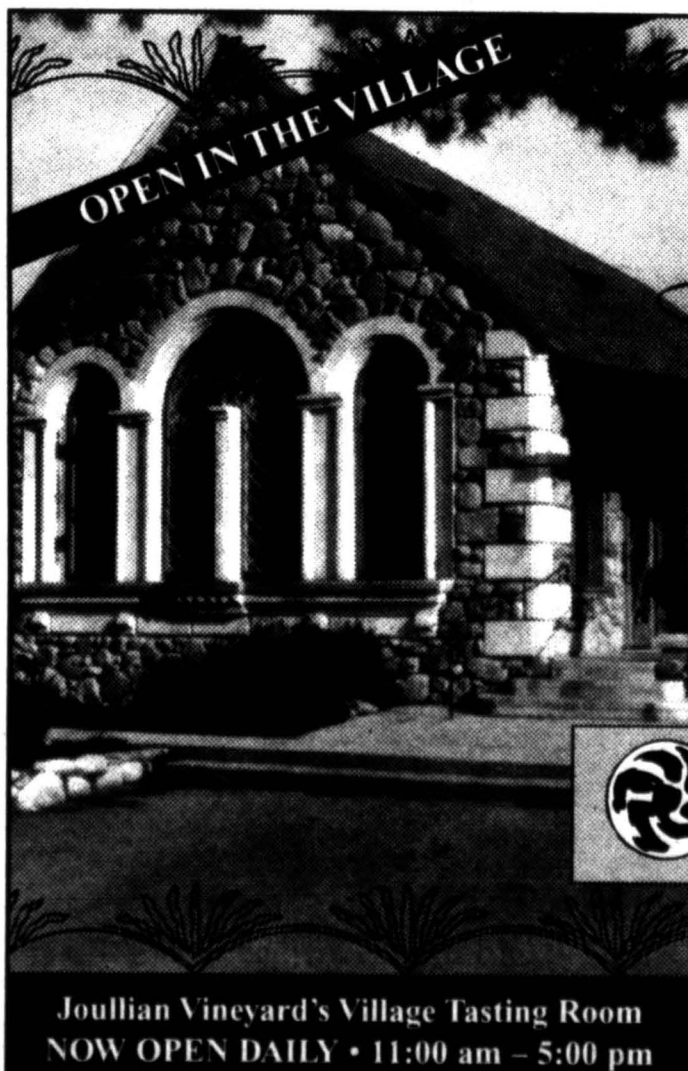
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Asilomar chef, staff win trophies in Savor Monterey Cookoff

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

THIS MAY come as a surprise to many: Asilomar's rocker dining complex in Pacific Grove — overseen by chef Colin Moody — prepares an average of 1,600 meals a day, utilizing its culinary staff of 27.

Executive Chef Moody and his team at the Pacific Grove Asilomar Conference Grounds were honored with three trophies at the Savor Monterey Culinary Cookoff on Aug. 25.

Sponsored by the Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce, the second annual fundraising event was held at Chateau Julien Winery, Carmel Valley.

Thirteen peninsula restaurants participated in the competition in various categories. Chef Moody and staff won the Judge's First Place award in the main entrée category with a menu featuring butter poached lobster, black chanterelle risotto cake, baby spinach with lobster mushroom and truffle sauce. The Asilomar culinary staff was awarded two People's Choice awards.

The Crocker Dining Hall, designed in 1918 by California's first licensed architect, Julia Morgan, features stone pillars and high, wood beamed ceilings. The hall serves home style meals for conference attendees and leisure guests and is open to the public seven days a week.

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Services, one of the nation's leading hospitality management companies.

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BEVERLY HILLS CHEF TO DEMO AT EARTHBOUND FARM SEPT. 21

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

CHEF/OWNER of Beverly Hills' Chadwick restaurant, Ben Ford, a long time proponent of organic ingredients in the preparation of haute cuisine, will be at Earthbound Farm from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 21 to participate in the Chef Walk and cooking demonstration.

Chef Ford is the son of actor Harrison Ford and nephew of Paul Lee, co-founder of the Alan Chadwick organic garden at the University of California, Santa Cruz. It was Alan Chadwick after whom Chef Ford's restaurant was named, and it is the Chadwick organic farm and garden at UCSC that will benefit from ticket sales to the Sept. 21 event.

Following a walk through Earthbound Farm fields of organic produce with Chef Ford and Earthbound's R&D farmer, Mark Marino, Chef Ford will demonstrate how he combines his professional

experience with his commitment to organic foods.

Participants on the walk will pick produce for themselves during the farm tour to take home.

Suggested donation for the benefit walk is \$30, payable by cash or check directly to the UCSC Farm and Garden. The walk takes place starting at Earthbound Farm Farm Stand, 7250 Carmel Valley Road.

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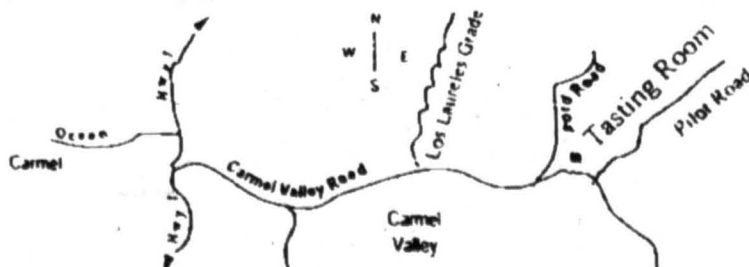
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Even in middle age, Monterey Jazz Festival showcases the new

AT LAST year's Monterey Jazz Festival, **Branford Marsalis**, while performing on the Jimmy Lyons Stage in the Pattee Arena, called the Monterey event the best jazz festival in the United States. Pretty heavy words coming from one of the most recognizable names in jazz today.

Although there are a few who might argue otherwise, there is no denying that the Monterey Festival, in its 45th year, is the longest running event of its kind in the world. Every third weekend in September, the Monterey Jazz Festival takes place at the historic Monterey Fairgrounds and is as much a part of our community as golf, fog and sea otters.

With 10 festivals now behind him, MJF General Manager Tim Jackson has perfected a formula for success, a formula that pays respect to the legends and traditions of jazz while at the same time introducing fresh artists and perspectives. Jackson, never afraid to take chances, has in his first decade as festival booker brought renewed prestige to the venerable middle-aged gal.

This year's jazz party by the bay is a festival full of themes and kicks off on Friday evening, Sept. 20, with "Fresh Perspectives," a concert that will feature new groups and some of the most promising young talent in the jazz world today. Friday night's Arena concert begins with Monterey favorite **Joshua Redman** performing with his new group, featuring **Brian Blade** on drums and **Sam Yahel** on keyboard.

Redman, who performed at the MJF while in high school, will be followed by **Don Byron**, the festival's commissioned artist for 2002. Byron is slated to premiere an expanded version of "Music for Six Musicians" and will also serve as this year's "Showcase Monterey" artist, appearing at a variety of fairground jazz venues throughout the weekend.

Hargrove group debuts

Friday night's Main Arena performance will close out with another Monterey favorite, **Roy Hargrove**, who will debut his new group, **RH Factor**. Saturday afternoon's

always popular blues performances will focus this year on "Women of the Blues," with performances by the legendary **Etta James & The Roots Band**, recent Grammy award winner **Marcia Ball**, and Chicago blues stylist, **Big Time Sarah**.

Blues artists performing Saturday afternoon (Sept. 21) on the Garden Stage include **Lavay Smith & Her Red Hot Skillet Lickers**, the aforementioned **Big Time Sarah**, and Oakland blues diva, **Lady Bianca**.

'Bass is the Place'

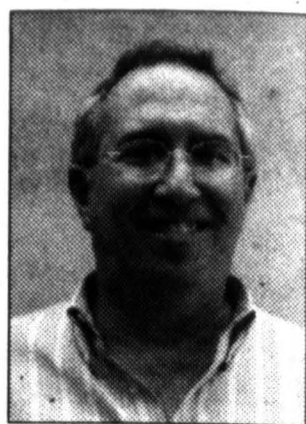
Saturday night's theme, "Bass is the Place," will honor the late **Ray Brown** plus the 80th birthday celebration of the late great **Charles Mingus**. Appearances are slated by the **Mingus Big Band**, **Charlie Haden** with eight-time Grammy award winner **Michael Brecker**, plus the **Heath Brothers**, with a special tribute focusing on **Percy Heath**, who performed at the 1958 Monterey Festival as bassist for the Modern Jazz Quartet.

In addition to the traditional performance by the **Monterey Jazz Festival's High School All-Star Big Band**, Sunday afternoon's (Sept. 22) concert will open with a special appearance by **Nancy Wilson** and **Ramsey Lewis** highlighted by performances by the winners of the Festival's 32nd Annu-

al High School competition.

Main Arena concerts culminate on Sunday night with "Monterey Legends Celebrate Our 45th Anniversary" with performances by **Dave Brubeck** (another 1958 inaugural performer) and the **Randy Weston Sextet** featuring **Billy Harper**. The evening, hosted by Festival Board Director, **Clint Eastwood**, will feature the **Dave Brubeck Quartet** revisiting selections from "Real Ambassadors" along with special guests **Roy Hargrove** and vocalist **Lizz Wright**.

Although tickets to the Main Arena are sold out, tickets are usually available to those who are determined. General admission grounds tickets, which offer access to 5 stages throughout the Monterey Fairgrounds are still available. For more information and tickets act now. Call 373-3366 or check out the website at www.montereyjazzfest.org.



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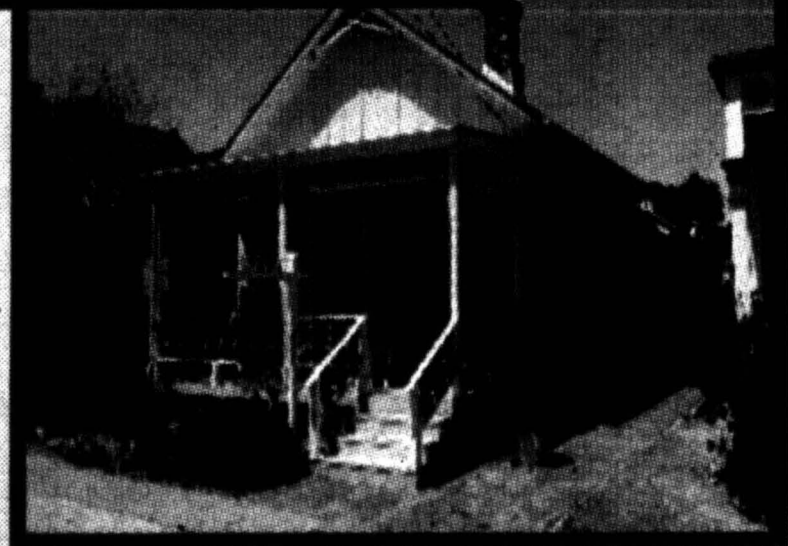
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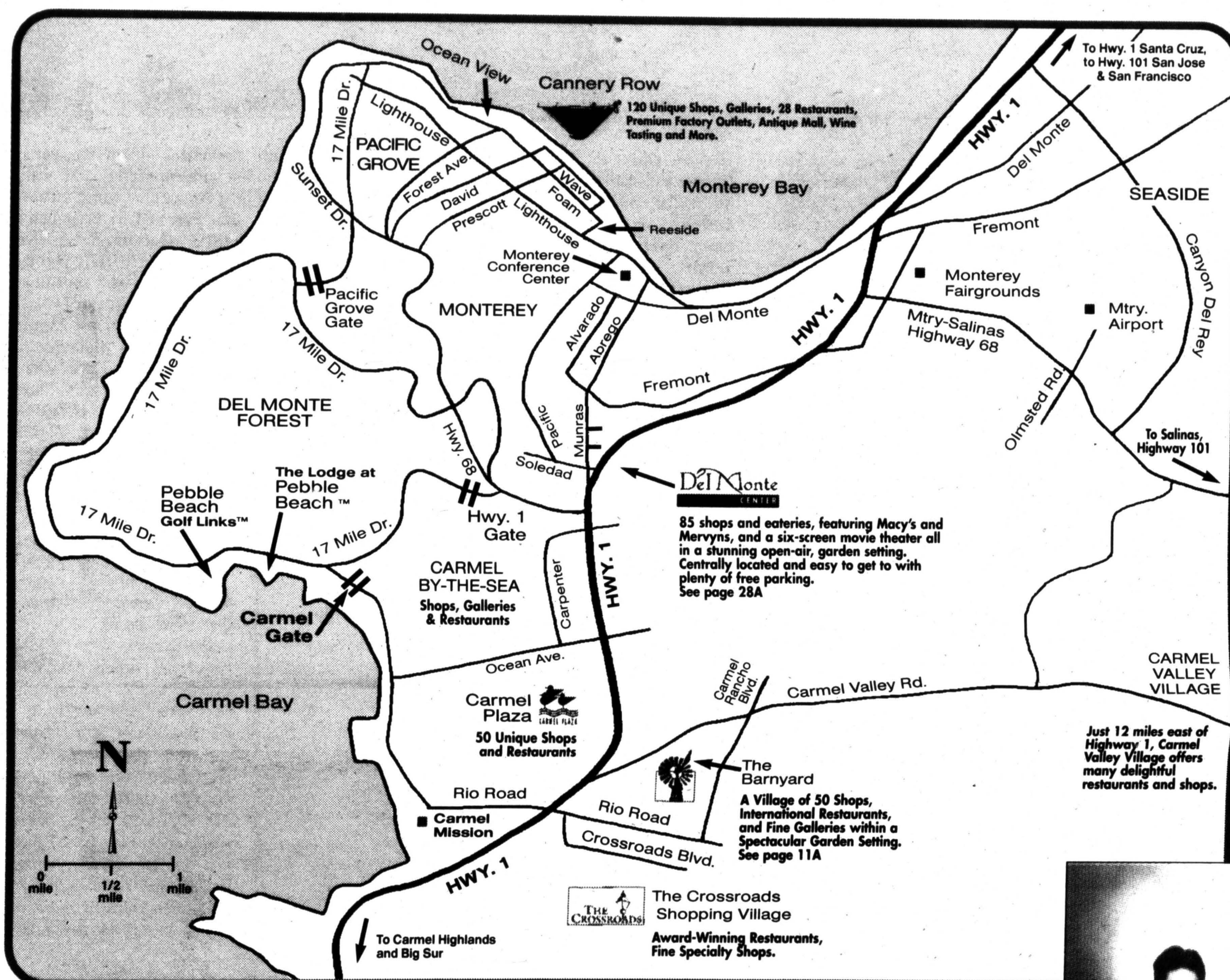
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Pirkle Jones and Ruth-Marion Baruch, Point Lobos, 1948, by F.W. Quandt

Pirkle's pictures visit Peninsula

PHOTOGRAPHER PIRKLE Jones and curator Karen Sinshemer will be on hand at 11 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 28 in the Coburn Gallery, Monterey Museum of Art, to greet the public at the opening of "Pirkle Jones: Sixty Years in Photography."

Now 88, Pirkle Jones has been capturing people and places on film since the 1950s. Eighty of his photographs make up this retrospective exhibit. A long-time Bay Area photographer and colleague of some of the most renowned names in twentieth-century photography, Jones studied with Ansel Adams and Minor White before collaborating on photographic projects with Dorothea Lange in the '50s and Adams in the '60s. The exhibition is free for members, \$5 for non-members. Space is limited for the reception. Call 372-5477 for reservations.

Dance Kids weekend

The Blue Tones (right) and members of Dance Kids (below) will perform in support of Dance Kids' journey to China next month. The full day of free entertainment is slated 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 21 at Devendorf Park in Carmel. Tickets will be available for the barbecue supplied by Bruno's. To learn more, call 373-7300.

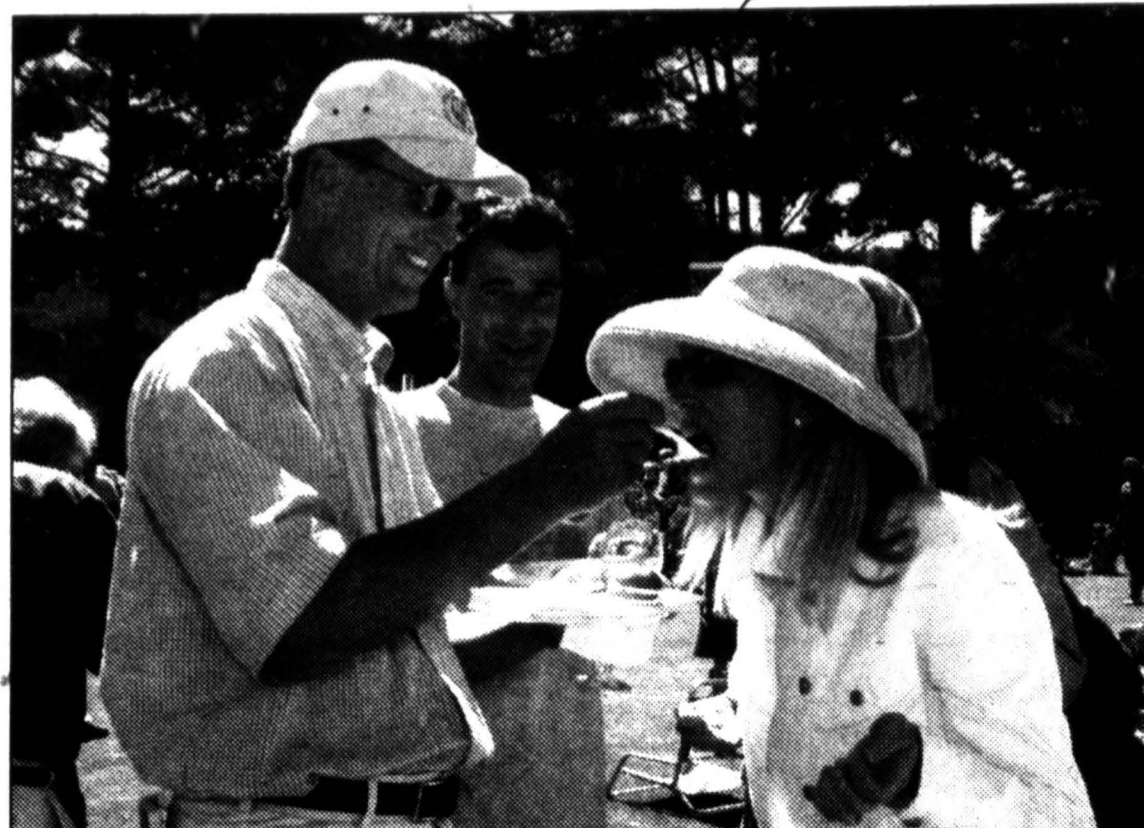


LOVEAPPLES GALORE SAVORED AT

WHO'D A THUNK it? A 2,000-person sold-out event at Quail Lodge celebrating the tomato? By now, as famed chef **Bert Cutino** puts it, "The **TomatoFest** is a national event!" This year, founder **Gary Ibsen** even named a tomato in honor of 90-year-old **Julia Child**, who had to cancel a scheduled appearance due to a staph infection... Bert was in his element: surrounded by great chefs, great food, and friends who adore him! On a serious note, he explained: "It's a chance for chefs to check each other out, and get inspired in new ways. When we get the invitation from Gary, our juices get going." Chefs are provided with lists of dishes from

past years, so nothing is repeated again... Quail Lodge founder **Ed Haber** & wife **Terry**, munching on tomato delicacies, were still recovering from the shock of seeing their granddaughter, York School student **Micha**, 17, with purple hair. Ed had only one word for it: "Yuck!"... **Mary May Altenburg** said volunteers had quite a time with tablecloths flying off in the wind the previous day... It was paradise for kids, too, who had a choice of playing in the golf course's sand traps or painting with vegetables at the Whole Foods tent... First timers **Becky & John Brodersen** had **Jonathan** 12, **Annie**, 10, and **Matthew**, 8 — invited by

John Brodersen treats his wife Becky to a tomato delicacy at the TomatoFest, while buddy Gus Gonzalez watches.



PHOTOS/SSI
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... And, by the way ...

MY FRIEND and I were a bit late getting to the TomatoFest and had to park all the way back near the Quail Lodge gate.



Pine Needles

By Sissi Maleki

Just as we began walking, we both caught sight of an extra-long, sleek limo approaching the area. (You know, those that are so long you can picture the front end glancing back after a turn to check if its tail

said, trying to rationalize such an extravagance.

"OK, OK. If it's Julia, I can accept it; otherwise whoever it is will look like a fool stepping out of it," I persisted, stubbornly.

Suddenly, the limo stopped right next to us. Its driver stepped out and asked:

"Would you ladies like to have a ride?"

Our jaws dropped. "You want to give us a ride?" we asked in disbelief.

"Sure, it's good publicity," he replied.

"Well, uh, I guess, sure, yeah," we answered, less articulately than usual, feeling totally sheepish — though we chose to be flattered by the business name on the card he handed us: "Just Your Style."

Moments later, after experiencing the luxurious, pristine interior with its crystal decanters and such, we all too soon reached our destination.

As we walked away, by now giggling at the embarrassing irony of it all, we wondered if Somebody Up There had wanted to teach us a lesson on judging too hastily...

"How ridiculous to arrive at the TomatoFest in such an ostentatious limo, of all things!" I sniffed.

"It is a bit much," my friend agreed. "But maybe it's Julia Child arriving," she

friends **Geir & Missy Fjugstad** and **Barbara & Gus Gonzalez** with **Leo**, 3... **Jo Taylor** and **Sue Hunter** came with **Joe Cusenza & Gabrielle Alexandra**, Joe's mom, Evelyn, and Gabrielle's mom, **Edie Daniel**. "We always bring 10 couples or so to this event from all over California," said Gabrielle... Another family affair consisted of **Bill Thies** and his three daughters, **Holly Anderson** — with daughter **Tomel**, **Charla Schenck** — with hubby **Ken** & his dad, **Will**, and **Melody Olsson** with two adorable little girls, **Chanel**, 5, and **Lauren**, 6, dressed in priceless matching outfits from Carmel's Heaven boutique... **Kathleen Dughi**, who had worked with jewelry crafts-

man **Orlando Feriozzi** 24 years ago, came with him and his wife **Marcella**... Locals hawking their own exceptional wines included **Bernardus' Ben Pon** and **River Ranch's Bill & Laura Stahl**... **Doc Jim & Lanette Penna** hung out with good friends **Nancy Albertini & Steve Metzger**, who split time between here and their tech firm in Dallas. Nancy's a huge supporter of breast cancer research, and is currently planning a fundraising VIP gala... **Kirk & Dorothea Probasco's** **Evan**, 5, had a blast building sand castles... Others seen: **Brandon Miller**, **Sarah Louis**, **Jim Nault**, **Elaine Wangberg**, **Helen Roberts** and one of the many hardworking volunteers, **Jon Hagstrom**, who's turned into quite a — single! — hunk now that he's working out...

Red Cross honors Ground Zero volunteers

At an understandably emotional 9/11 reception at its Carmel chapter house, the **American Red Cross** gathered the courageous local volunteers of **Ground Zero** from last year... **Jerri Masten** read a moving poem she had written... **River Gurtin** created a moving collage of images on video... **Linda Duncan** received her honor pin, which is num-

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bered and given to this volunteer corps . . . **Diana Case** had gone on three trips — once staffing a hotline in Dallas, the other two in N.Y. . . . **Denise Gilliam** was also a three-timer who spent hours wandering the streets in the affected area, knocking on doors, and checking to see who needed help. One elderly woman herself suggested to workers that they distribute whistles so one could call out for help. Three days later, the Red Cross began distributing 5,000 whistles to home-bound residents . . . **Virginia Shannon** is still haunted by remembrance of the overwhelmed father with a toddler who went from room to room calling "Mama," and his 4-year-old who went to sleep each night with the mother's cardigan . . . **Manny Bonilla** and **Alex Allman** shared their stories, too.

■ Chocoholics fall off wagon at cocoa bar ribbon-cutting

No, Yours Truly has not begun covering ribbon-cutting ceremonies. But as a recovering chocoholic who's fallen off the wagon too many times to continue claiming "recovery" status, I just couldn't stay away from this one — the new **Carmel Coffee & Cocoa Bar** at the Carmel Plaza! **Vicki Imperial** of Saks moaned: "Between Saks and here, it's going to be the end of my paycheck! My husband Jeff will say, 'Please stop working — we can't afford it!'" . . . **Csaba Ajan**, in his typical debonair way, joked: "Chocolate is an aphrodisiac — I drink it morning, noon and night!" . . . **Peter Kovaleski** had helped owners **Dean & Janet McAthie** as a consultant for the design of the business . . . Other chocoholics in attendance included the CBA's **Brenda Roncarato**, **Doug Lumsden**, **Demi Briscoe**, Carmel Councilman **Gerard Rose**, **Kathy Leslie**, **Jane Robertson**, **Joan Parkinson**, **Robert Hale & Tom Williams** and **Leslie Miller** . . . Chocolate frauds — i.e., those there for the fun, not the chocolate! — included **Mia McKee**, **Debra McMillian** and **Sally Hanley** . . . Oh, and Yours Truly can attest to



Georgianne Matthews was far more fascinated in the "Carmel Pine Cone History" presentation by publisher Paul Miller at the Carmel Heritage Society, than was her pug, Mamie!

the superior cocoa found there!

■ Venerable Carmel Pine Cone in the spotlight

Did you know it costs \$25,000 to get this paper out each week? This eye-opening tidbit, along with the **Carmel Pine Cone's** fascinating history — dating back to 1915, was revealed at the **Carmel Heritage Society** opening of the exhibit, "The History of the Carmel Pine Cone." Publisher **Paul Miller** had plenty of colorful stories to share, complemented by occasional contributions from

old-timers in the audience . . . Board member **Renate Wunsch** continues to be a gem in her ability to pull together superb exhibits for the group. This time she borrowed retired reporter **Howard Skidmore's** old trench coat, fedora, and press pass from the '40s to use for one mannequin; its twin was dressed in **Kay Prine's** beret and jacket — made by Kay's father, the first custom tailor of the area . . . **Georgianne Matthews** even brought her 12-year-old adorable pug, **Maime** . . . **Diane Hanger**, a descendant of renowned local builder M.J. Murphy, was accompanied by her mom, **Lois Hanger**. Diane said that native **Niels Reimers** —

who's moving back after being away for some years — shared many stories with her about being a delivery boy for the paper . . . Among those fascinated by the exhibit were Carmel Councilman **Dick Ely**, the SPCA's Thrift Shop's **Ana Andruchowicz**, **Jeanne Gallagher** — board prez **Jim's** wife, **Rosemarie Emerson**, **Dorothy Budlong**, **Don & Jan Markle**, **Donna Jett**, **John Hicks** — just back from Yeats country in Ireland, newcomers **Peter & Gisela Murray**, **Sue Ann Few**, **Vanja Thompson** and **Lucinda Lloyd**.

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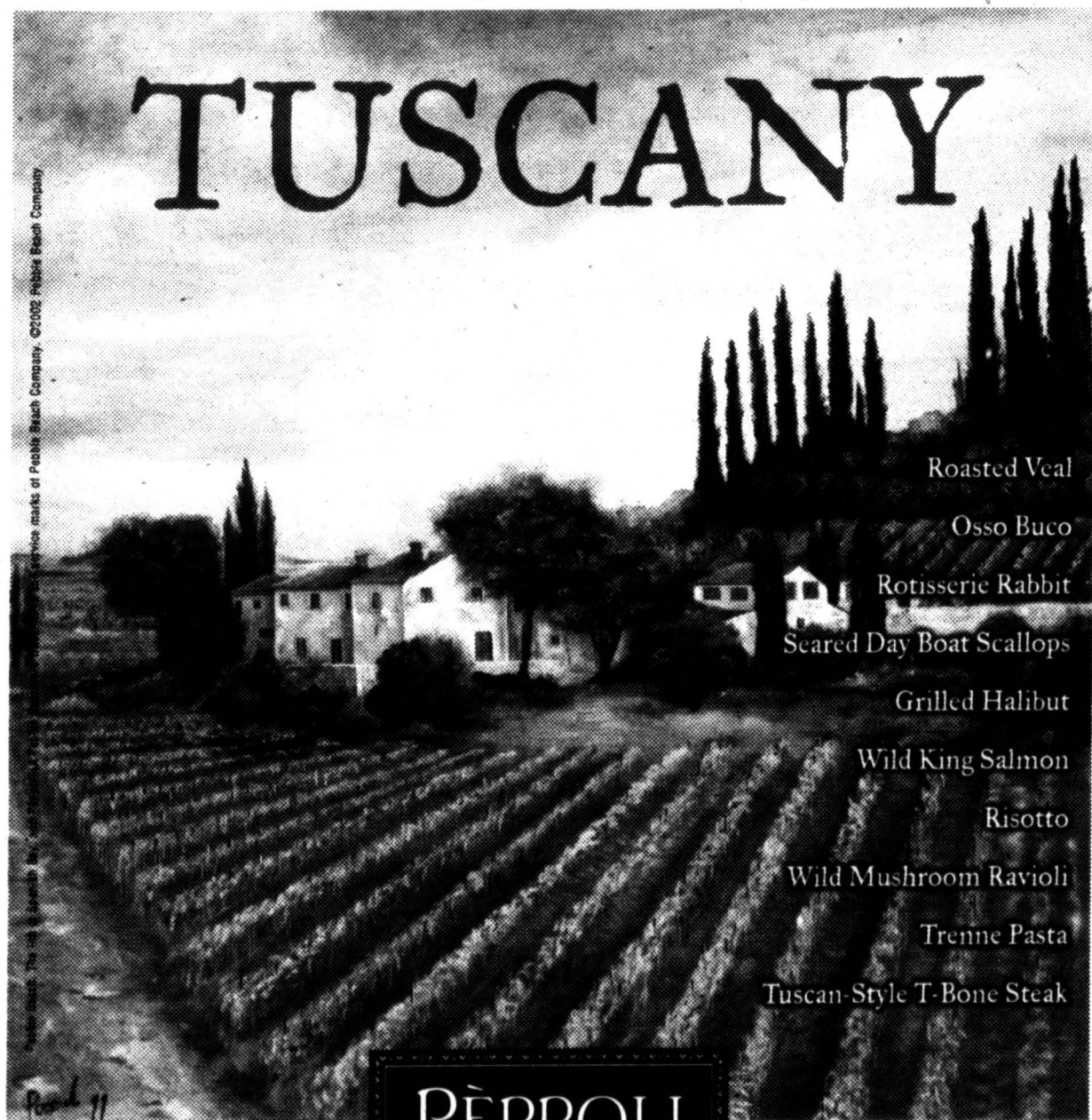
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New writers' groups continue peninsula literary tradition

ANOTHER LOCAL writer's group has been formed: It's the **Central Coast Branch of the California Writers Club**, of which there are now 14 branches. Their meetings will be free and open to the public, held at 6:30 p.m. once a

The Bookshelf

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS



month at The Barnyard.

The first meeting was held this week and featured **Carolyn Livingston, Joan Miller and Julie Houy**, authors of the mystery novel, "**Beyond Bingo**" (already in its third printing), which received a very favorable review in The Bookshelf last year. With this book, the three local writers succeeded in shattering stereotypes of older women. The plot deals with medical marijuana, murder and lots of other provoc-



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Together, they're Val Davis

tive themes. Officers of the Central Coast Branch of the California Writers Club are **Patricia Matuszewski**, president, **Ken Jones**, vice president, and **Carol Brown Kauffmann**, treasurer.

Advance notice: The next meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 15, in the community room of The Barnyard, adjacent to From Scratch Restaurant and will feature Carmel mystery writers **Bob and Angie Irvine**. Their new mystery (written together under the *nom de plume* Val Davis), due for October release, will be entitled, "**Thread of a Spider**." For information, call Georgia Hubley, program co-chairperson, at 625-2965.

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AND YET another local writers' group, **Fiction Writers of the Monterey Peninsula**, together have produced a book of 11 short stories. We're still in the process of reading the book for a review in our Oct. 11 column — just in time for the group's first booksigning at The Thunderbird Bookshop the afternoon of Oct. 12. The next day the authors will sign books at the Koffman Gallery in Monterey because their cover art was created by Dan Koffman. But more about all that in later columns.

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Highlands Inn to be scene of 24th Jeffers Festival in mid-October

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

ROBINSON JEFFERS aficionados will want to mark their calendars for the 24th annual Jeffers Festival slated for Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 12 and 13. This year's festival is a benefit for the foundation, and will take place in the Surf Room of the Highlands Inn, Park Hyatt Carmel, four miles south of Carmel on Highway 1.

The festival celebrates poet Jeffers as playwright. Although he is known the world over for his narrative and lyric poetry, he came into his own as a playwright in the late 1940s with the Broadway production of "Medea." There is much drama in Jeffers' narrative poems, according to foundation president Alex Vardamis, a Jeffers scholar.

Other plays by Jeffers include "The Alpine Christ," "Tower Beyond Tragedy," "Dear Judas," "At the Fall of an Age," "At the Birth of an Age," "The Bowl of Blood" and "The Cretan Woman."

A series of seminars on Oct. 12 on Jeffers' plays will be followed by dramatic

readings and musical performances, arranged around a luncheon at Highlands Inn's Pacific's Edge restaurant.

Speakers will be Professor Mark Griffith, "Jeffers and Greek Tragedy"; Professor Robert Zaller on "Jeffers as Dramatic Poet"; Stephen Moor on "Staging Jeffers' 'Medea' at Pacific Repertory Theater in 2003"; and Layna Chianakas, mezzo soprano, will perform the first scene from "Medea" by Alva Henderson, adapted from the play by Robinson Jeffers after Euripides.

Following the luncheon, actors Taelen Thomas, Garland Thompson and Joyce Henderson, assisted by a jazz trio and vocalists, will present dramatic readings from Jeffers' works.

In the evening, the traditional sunset ceremony will take place at Tor House on Carmel Point with wine, a buffet supper and dramatic readings of excerpts from Medea and Clytemnestra in both English and Ancient Greek by poet and actor Lili Bitá.

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AND STILL another review of yet another suspense book by Nancy Baker Jacobs, "Flash Point," is in the offing for next week's The Bookshelf. Nancy's new book is about arson, featuring Susan Kim Delancey as an "arson czar" of the San Francisco Bay Area, a knowledgeable investigator who is on the trail of a serial firebug. Nancy will be signing books at The Thunderbird Bookshop on Thursday, Oct. 3. Read next week's column for a review and more information.

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THE CARMEL Heritage Society currently is having a month long exhibit, "The History of The Carmel Pine Cone," at First Murphy House, Lincoln and Sixth, Carmel-by-the-Sea. Historic editions of The Pine Cone are displayed, including the 1915 first edition. Papers chronicling important world and local events, plus "tasty tidbits of local gossip" are all there for your perusal.

Publisher Paul Miller spoke at the opening reception on Friday, Sept. 13 to a rapt and animated audience. The exhibit may be viewed Wednesday through Sunday, 1 - 4 p.m., through Oct. 17.

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REMINDER; PATRICIA Albers, author of the biography "Shadows, Fire, Snow: The Life of Tina Modotti," (which also chronicles her sojourn to Mexico with Carmel's Edward Weston) will present a talk and sign books at 7 tonight, Friday, Sept. 20 on The Thunderbird Bookshop patio, The Barnyard Shop-ping Village, Carmel. For information, call 624-1803.

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POET PATRICE Vecchione will host an open mike night for high school poets at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3 at the Monterey Public Library. All are invited, but only high school poets may read. Free. For information, call Jeanne at 646-3949.

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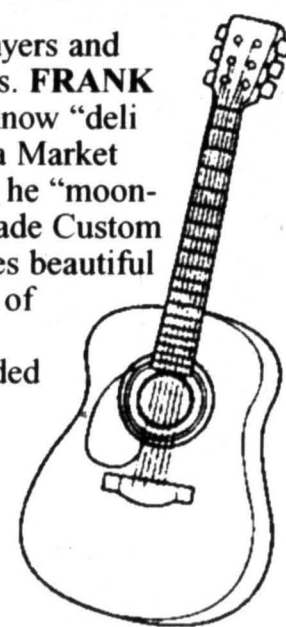


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AUDITIONS: "Unnecessary Targets" by Eve Ensler ("Vagina Monologues") slated noon to 5 p.m. Oct. 5 at the McGowan House (St. James Episcopal Church), 381 High St. at Franklin in Monterey. To be directed by Jeanne McCulloch and performed at the Circle Theatre of the Golden Bough in Carmel, weekends from Nov. 15 to 24. Seven female actors will portray five Bosnian refugees, ages 15, 20, 40, 50 and 70-plus; and two Americans, ages

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MONTEREY SYMPHONY'S "Open-ing Night Gala," sponsored by the Friends of the Monterey Symphony, is slated for Friday, Oct. 11 at the Inn at Spanish Bay, Pebble Beach. Reception is 6 p.m. and dinner and dancing follow at 7 p.m. Event will feature live and silent auctions and music by Wally's Swing World. Black tie. Valet parking available. Tickets are \$175 per person. Call 624-8511.

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that parents insist their children write, and continue through high school, college, World War II, marriages, divorce and all the experiences and feelings that fill their lives. Andy succeeds as his father always hoped and Melissa reaps the effects of her life as a poor little rich girl.

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The play is a natural for Ms. Hovick and Mr. Benjamin, who have worked together frequently in the past in works of Shaw, Coward and others. Mr. Benjamin has not been seen recently because of a fall he suffered, the effects of which are evident occasionally in his delivery. But he is a commanding presence on the Indoor Forest Theatre stage and gives to Andy the proper New England rectitude that rankles Melissa so.

She is a free spirit, as Ms. Hovick conveys through sighs and pouts as Andy solemnly expounds on his exploits and his love of writing. Melissa hates to write, but she loves Andy, the only person she can really depend on in her difficult life.



Marcia Gambrell Hovick

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20021826. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **STUDIO 8 HAIR DESIGN**, SE 5th & Junipero, Carmel, CA 93921. CHRISTINA ANN FEIGE, 3039 Bayer Dr., Marina, CA 93933. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Sept. 3, 2002. (s) Christina Ann Feige. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Aug. 30, 2002. Publication dates: Sept. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2002. (PC 901)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20027824. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CHEVRONTEXACO EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION COMPANY**, 575 Market Street, San Francisco, CA 94105. CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., Pennsylvania, 575 Market Street, San Francisco, CA 94105. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on May 1, 2002. (s) F. G. Soler, Chevron U.S.A., Inc., F.G. Soler, Assistant Secretary. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Aug. 30, 2002. Publication dates: Sept. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2002. (PC 902)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20021710. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **VERTEX**, 1100 San Lucas St., Seaside, CA 93955. GEORGE MICHAEL MACALUSO, 1100 San Lucas St., Seaside, CA 93955. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on August 10, 2002. (s) George Macaluso. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Aug. 15, 2002. Publication dates: Sept. 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4, 2002. (PC 903)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. M60394.
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner LINDA MCFEELY filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name: TERALYN KELLY SULLIVAN
Proposed name: TERALYN KELLY MCFEELY.
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
NOTICE OF HEARING: Oct. 11,

2002, at 9:00 a.m. The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.
A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.
(s) Michael S. Fields
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: Sept. 4, 2002
Publication dates: Sept. 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4, 2002. (PC904)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20021853. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **J. JOE - THE STORE**, Carmel Plaza, Ocean Avenue between Junipero & Mission, Space 103, Carmel, CA 93921. THE BIRCH POND GROUP, INC., 4 Battery March Park, Quincy, MA 02169. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above expected on Nov. 21, 2002. (s) Stephen Barcelo, Treasurer. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 4, 2002. Publication dates: Sept. 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4, 2002. (PC 906)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20021858. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **1. PACIFIC BOULEVARD PROPERTY SERVICES**
2. DOUG KIEHN AND ASSOCIATES
1041 Morse Dr., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. DOUGLAS D. KIEHN, 1041 Morse Dr., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above expected on Sept. 1, 2002. (s) Douglas D. Kiehn. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 4, 2002. Publication dates: Sept. 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 2002. (PC 908)

CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA
ORDINANCE NO. 2002-03
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY'S WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES REQUIREMENTS (17.08.100)

WHEREAS, the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea issues use permits for telecommunications facilities; and
WHEREAS, the Municipal Code requires that on or about January 30th of each year the Department of Community Planning and Building retain the services of an independent contractor licensed and qualified to conduct radio frequency field strength tests for all systems operating in the City; and
WHEREAS, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regulates human exposure to radio frequency electromagnetic fields and requires industry compliance with FCC Guidelines for Human Exposure to Radio Frequency Electromagnetic Fields; and
WHEREAS, the proposed amendment to the City's Wireless Communications Ordinance would replace the requirement for the annual field strength test with a require-

ment for an installation test plan and field strength testing at the request of the City; and
WHEREAS, the proposed ordinance amendment would not be detrimental to public health and safety.
NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:
17.08.100.E.

1. Field Strength
Prior to issuance of building permits, the approved carrier shall submit an installation test plan for approval by the Department of Community Planning and Building. The test plan shall describe the type of testing that will be performed in order to verify that operation of the facility will remain compliant with its licensing specifications and will not create adverse frequency impacts resulting in health hazards or interference with existing wireless facilities, network communications, computers, appliances, etc. in the vicinity.
Upon activation, the approved carrier shall submit the test results to the Department of Community Planning and Building. The City may require an approved carrier to conduct frequency testing at any time and report results to the City.
Section Two. Severability. If any part of this Ordinance, even as small as a word or phrase, is found to be unenforceable such findings shall not affect the enforceability of any other part hereof.
Section Three. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its final passage and adoption. All decisions made after the effective date shall be consistent with this Ordinance.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA this 10th day of September, 2002 by the following roll call vote:
AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Ely, Hazdovac, Livingston, Rose, McCloud
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
SIGNED: Sue McCloud, Mayor
City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
ATTEST: Karen Crouch, City Clerk

Publication Date: September 20, 2002. (PC909)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CLARA M. STAGNARO
Case Number MP 16242
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of CLARA MARIE STAGNARO, CLAIRE M. STAGNARO.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ANNA-LOUISE ROSEN aka ANNA ANELLO ROSEN in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ANNA-LOUISE ROSEN aka ANNA ANELLO ROSEN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an

interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on October 4, 2002 at 10:30 a.m., Dept.: Probate, in the Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for petitioner THOMAS HART HAWLEY, HAWLEY & LLEWELLYN, P.O. Box 805, San Carlos bet. 7 & 8, Carmel, CA 93921. (831) 624-5339. (s) THOMAS HART HAWLEY, Attorney for Petitioner.

Publication dates: Sept. 20, 27, Oct. 4, 2002. (PC910)

PUBLIC NOTICE
MONTEREY COUNTY PLANNING AND BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE OF A SCOPING MEETING FOR THE PEBBLE BEACH COMPANY DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL
(PLN010234 and PLN010341)

SEPTEMBER 25, 2002 4:00 PM
MONTEREY COUNTY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE
2354 GARDEN ROAD, MONTEREY, CA

The Monterey County Planning and Building Inspection Department will hold a scoping meeting to discuss the Pebble Beach Company's development proposal at 4:00 PM at the Monterey County Leadership Institute at 2354 Garden Road, Monterey, CA. This project proposes final build-out of the Pebble Beach Company's lands in the Del Monte Forest which is consistent with the approved 2000 voter initiative (Measure "A") which made a number of amendments to the County's land use designations and policies. Specifically, the project includes a new golf course and driving range, an expansion of the Pebble Beach Lodge and the Inn at Spanish Bay, a relocation of the existing equestrian center, residential development, trail and traffic improvements, and open space preservation.

The County, as the lead agency, looks forward to the public's participation in order to hear perspectives on environmental issues related to this project from responsible government agencies and the public. The purpose of this meeting is to help clarify the scope of issues to be addressed and for identifying the significant issues related to this project. Input received from this meeting will help guide the EIR consulting firm, Jones & Stokes, in the preparation of the administrative draft EIR.

Contact project planner Thom McCue at 831/883-7528 for additional information.

Publication dates: Sept. 20, 2002. (PC911)

File No. 20021906 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **HONDA FINANCIAL SERVICES**, A# 951492, 700 Van Ness Ave., Torrance, CA 90501.

AMERICAN HONDA FINANCE CORPORATION, 700 Van Ness Ave., Torrance, CA 90501.

This business is conducted by a corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 1, 2002.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. [A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.]

SIGNED: AMERICAN HONDA FINANCE CORPORATION, By: John I. Weisickie, VP, Asst. Secretary.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on September 11, 2002.

NOTICE-This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the Office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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Publication Dates: Sept. 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 2002 (PC912)

CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons bearing any interest in the matter, that the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, will conduct a Public Hearing.

SUBJECT: Consideration of Ordinance No. 2002-08 amending Municipal Code Section 8.16, Garbage, by modifying trash and recycle collection services to include commingled recycling for residential customers and adding mandatory commingled recycle collection service for commercial customers. [First Reading]

PURPOSE: To consider a rate adjustment for new trash and commingled recycle collection services for residential customers and adding mandatory commingled recycle collection service for commercial customers.

ZONING DISTRICT: ALL
COMPLIANCE WITH CEQA: Exempt
DATE: Tuesday
TIME: October 1, 2002
PLACE: The City Council Meeting will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues.

Any court action made pursuant to decisions made by the City on this

proposed action may be limited to issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to attend said Hearing and express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposal as outlined above.

BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA.

(s) Karen Crouch, City Clerk

DATED: September 17, 2002

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Publication dates: September 20, 2002. (PC913)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. M61115.
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner Lori Rae Eger & William Burl Eger filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name: CONSTANCE RAE EGER
Proposed name: RAE CONSTANCE EGER

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

NOTICE OF HEARING: Oct. 18, 2002, at 9:00 a.m., Dept.: TBA. The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.

(s) Robert O'Farrell
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: Sept. 12, 2002.

Publication dates: Sept. 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 2002. (PC914)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20021933. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CARMEL BY THE SEA ANTIQUES, W.S.** Mission between 6th & 7th, Carmel, CA 93921. HOLLY LYNDEN LEROY, 2893 Forest Lodge Rd., Pebble Beach, CA 93953. CARMEN MARY HARLAN-WOOD, Delaware, 1040 Shell Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. JAMES ALEXANDER MCKINZIE, 22 Valle Vista, Carmel Valley, CA 93924. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Oct. 19, 2002. (s) Holly LeRoy, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Sept. 16, 2002. Publication dates: Sept. 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 2002. (PC 915)

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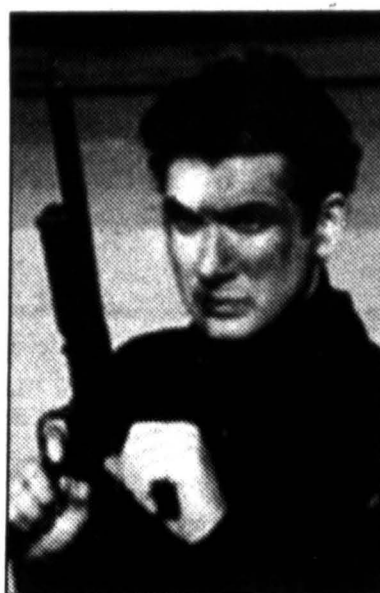
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today's standards, a concept as inconceivable as the victor gaining not only a country, but a queen. Yet, in Shakespeare's "Henry V," Pacific Repertory's final 2002 installment of its Royal Blood series, director Stephen Moorer breathes life and relevance into these antiquated realities.

From crude English peasants to naked French princes, everyone is talking about Harry. The recently crowned king is convinced by his advisors that he has a legitimate claim to France. After weeks in the field, Henry V wins a staggering victory over the French at Agincourt and proceeds to claim not only France, but Charles VI's daughter, Katherine. One wouldn't believe killing 10,000 of her countrymen the best way to woo a girl, but Harry wins Katherine's heart with his honesty and boyish charm.

John Farmanesh-Bocca sheds his role of prince and plays the king much as one suspects Harry himself might have done, with strength and grace. Farmanesh-Bocca is a gifted actor with the ability to wear the essence of his characters like a second skin. Lucinda Serrano as the innocent and vivacious Princess Katherine is captivating. Her English lesson with Alice (Cristina Anselmo), her maid, is endearing.

James Kiberd is masterful as he discards the robes of king and portrays, in this play, both the Chorus (narrator) and



Farmanesh-Bocca in the title role

Fluellen, a ferocious Welsh captain in Harry's army.

Additional players from previous productions include members of the rowdy inn crowd, with Tim Hart as their leader, Pistol. Also of special note is Kevin Black, double cast as Montjoy, the dauphin's emissary and as Captain Macmorris of the king's army. Black assumes his characters with a smoldering defiance that is penetrating.

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Peter Eberhardt is poised in his portrayal of the French king, Charles VI. The dauphin, Prince Louis, is played with outrageous affected snobbery and conceit by the talented Anthony Piana. It is Louis and his cohorts that make up the soon-to-be-infamous spa scene in which the notion of French buns takes on new meaning. The group's attire, or lack thereof, may give the play a PG rating, but it is creative license worthy of a sonnet.

Recognizable sound tracks and sound effects designed by John Rousseau and John Farmanesh-Bocca are well chosen. Costumes by Kathryn Hart are understated and effective, and lighting is by RJ Wofford II. Multilevel and dimensional set design around the rotating center stage is by Marc Haniuk.

By cloaking time in tailored clothing, Moorer renders dates irrelevant. With a skillful cast and crew, he eclipses language barriers to bring the passions, actions and humors of historical England into the reach of a 21st century audience, itself teetering on the brink of war. "Once more unto the breach, dear friends, once more." Quills up!

■ Pacific Repertory Theatre's staging of "Henry V" continues through Oct. 20 at the Golden Bough Theatre, Monte Verde between Eighth and Ninth, Carmel. For ticket information, call 622-0100.

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Sandy Claws

by Margot Petit Nichols

TUCKER LEPPERT, 2, — decked out in his blue and orange vest and matching leash emblazoned with decorative orange bones — loves to go for a stroll with Mom Leah on the walking path above Carmel Beach. As a short-legged dachsie, he rarely walks on the beach because his feet keep throwing sand up into his eyes.

Always on the lookout for friends — especially Cavalier King Charles Bennett Hilburn (who seems to be an all-time fave of Carmel Beach dogs), Tucker is greeted by one and all. Small children are especially attracted to him because they have to bend down to pet him.

His neighborhood friend is Kate Morris, who spoils him with gifts of stuffed animals. He has so many now, Mom keeps them in a paper bag, rotating them regularly so that he won't be overwhelmed with his plethora of plush pets. Sometimes Mom and Tucker visit Auntie Kate in the late afternoon to share a neighborly Margarita, at which times Tucker licks out with special treats — and maybe another toy, which he carries home proprietarily in his mouth.

Tucker became enamored with generous Auntie Kate when he was just a pup. One morning he escaped from the house to visit her. With little legs



going a mile a minute and velvety ears flapping, Tucker sped down the street for a pre-breakfast social call — just ahead of pursing bathrobe-clad, hair-in-curlers Mom.

After a full day, Tucker likes to watch TV from Mom or Dad George's lap. He especially likes "Everybody Loves Raymond." But when Dad says, "Time for bed," Tucker obediently jumps down and runs to the bedroom where he curls up in his own little sleeping accommodations next to his parents' bed.

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FIRE

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cuers entered the home and found Stoesser in the back bedroom, according to August.

Emergency personnel from Carmel Regional Fire Ambulance and Salinas Rural Fire Department's breathing support unit attempted to resuscitate Stoesser at the scene and in the ambulance, but he was pronounced dead at

Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula of apparent heat and smoke inhalation.

Burns to Stoesser's arms, shoulders, neck and face indicate he tried to extinguish the fire before attempting to escape, according to Reade.

Already familiar with the home and its contents, August said he knew the fire would be bad and asked the dispatcher to send more help. A total of 12 units and 18 personnel responded, including a deputy fire marshal from Monterey Fire Department to assist with the investigation.

"I said, 'We're on scene and have a structure fire, and I'm familiar with the house and we will need a lot of help,'"


August said.

It took about 15 minutes to get the flames under control, according to August, but it wasn't until 3 a.m. that the fire was completely suppressed.

"As involved as the house was and as loaded with material as it was, the crews did well," he said. "The place was blowing and going, and we got in there as quickly as we could."

Had they arrived any later, the flames could have easily spread to the trees and nearby houses, he said, adding that floor furnaces are particularly dangerous because it is easy for them to become blocked or for combustibles to be placed nearby.

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CRUISE

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Carmel shuttle, Roncarati and organizers were encouraged by the fact that the cruise ship's organized bus tours — to the Steinbeck Center and 17 Mile Drive — also made stops in Carmel, bringing another 250 tourists.

Unexpected delays bringing passengers ashore undoubtedly hurt the CBA's ticket sales. The heavy fog in Monterey Bay that day prevented the cruise ship from using its own tenders, which lack radar, to bring the passengers ashore.

Instead, the tourists waited to be transported by whale watching and fishing boats. "The passengers described a long, backed-up line of people waiting to get off the ship," Roncarati said.

Some of the passengers who did make it to Carmel only had an hour to spend here. "I loved it," said passenger C.J. Hydal of Carlsbad as she boarded the last shuttle back to the ship at 2 p.m. "I wish I had more time."

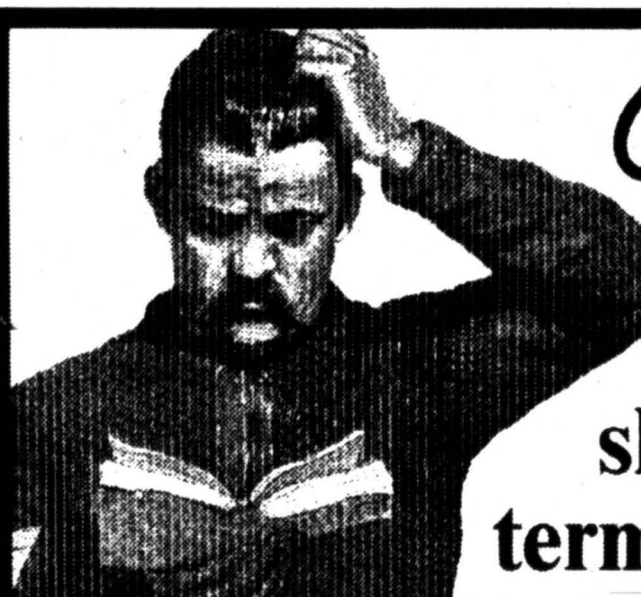
"This is like a country town in England," said Esther Garcia of Sacramento. "I just couldn't pass up Monterey and Carmel."

Roncarati said the survey cards collected from the shuttle passengers boded well for future visits.

"Our goal is not to have to spend a ton of money to impress upon them why they need to come back and spend quality time on their return," said CBA board member Larry Hoover.

Also in town Sept. 18 to have a firsthand look at the CBA's shuttle operation was a representative of the Crystal Harmony Cruise line, which will bring one of its ships to Monterey next month.

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Roncarati explained that cruise ships typically don't like to promote day trips that compete with their own organized tours. "Most of those tours don't go for less than \$35 a person, and when it's selling side by side with a shuttle for \$10, they start to lose business," she said.

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NANCY JANE WINKLER BAILEY, 76, a former Pebble Beach resident, died Aug. 26 in Marshall, Va., at age 76.

Mrs. Bailey was born in Fresno and attended nursing school in Oakland. She then made her home in the San Francisco Bay Area before moving to Palos Verdes Estates.

She and her husband, Wesley T. Bailey, ran a consulting firm dealing in paint chemicals and they received a patent for several innovative paint formulas. They went on to win a judgment against a large paint firm for infringing on one of their patents.

The Baileys moved to Pebble Beach where she enjoyed her garden, bridge, her cats, and the ocean. She moved to Warrenton to be near her family in 2001.

Survivors include four sons, Dr. Christopher Bailey of Virginia, Steven of Alabama, David of Redondo Beach and Ronald of Montrose; two granddaughters, Sarah and Karen of Redondo Beach; and a sister, Ruth Ann Lewis of Fresno.

Memorials are suggested to the Sierra Club, care of Donor Development, 85 Second St., second floor, San Francisco, CA 94105.

JOHN HENRY RENNELS, 85, former Carmel City Treasurer, died Aug. 18 at Hospice House of the Central Coast.



Mr. Rennels was born in Naperville, Ill., graduated from Naperville High School and attended North Central College where he was on both the track and tennis teams before transferring to the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign to earn a degree in business administration.

During World War II he was a B-25 bomber pilot in the 12th Army Air Corps 279 Bomber Squadron stationed in Corsica, France. By the time he was discharged as a second lieutenant, Mr. Rennels had flown more than 50 missions behind enemy lines and received the Distinguished Flying Medal for the Europe-Africa Campaign.

After having been a federal examiner of savings and loans, Mr. Rennels started his community banking career in Carmel with the Carmel Savings and Loan Association in 1952. He progressed to the positions of vice president and secretary-treasurer of its board of directors.

Having worked for all of its successor institutions, Mr. Rennels retired in 1989 from the Carmel Branch of Great Western Savings (now Washington Mutual Bank) after 37 years of service.

Mr. Rennels was also elected Carmel's City Treasurer for 10 years, from 1967 to 1977. He was a Charter Member of the Carmel Host Lions Club.

An avid golfer, it was the beauty of the Monterey Peninsula and its golf courses that originally attracted Mr. Rennels to Carmel 50 years ago.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Ruth (Sis) of Carmel; daughter Susan Brown of Bainbridge Island, Wash.; son John of Fremont; two grandchildren; a twin sister, Jane Hallwachs of Naperville, Ill.; two nieces and one nephew.

The family suggests that memorial contributions be made to the Hospice Foundation for the Central Coast, P.O. Box 1798, Monterey, 93940.

Mr. Rennels will be buried in the Naperville Cemetery, in Naperville, Ill.

JANET OSTENBERG RESLER GAASCH, a former longtime resident of Carmel, died Sept. 3 in Baltimore at age 85.

A native of Claremore, Okla., she graduated from Oklahoma A&M with a degree in English, and then married Phil Gaasch of Tulsa.

After World War II, the couple moved to Brownfield, Texas. In addition to raising her children, Janet volunteered at the library and helped her husband run Gaasch Construction Company.

Upon the death of her husband in 1969, Mrs. Gaasch moved to Carmel where she started the



Friends of the Library annual book sale for Harrison Memorial Library. She also helped open and operate the UNICEF shop in downtown Carmel.

In 1975 she returned to Tulsa and there served as a docent at the Tulsa Zoo for 21 years. She also developed a love for bicycling and began to ride with the Tulsa Bicycle Club — participating in many long-distance bicycle rides.

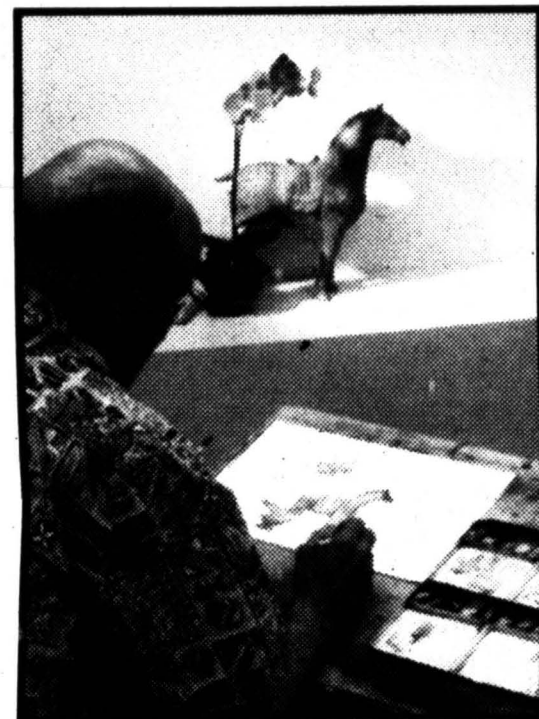
She is survived by her children, Ron of Carmel, Carole of Tokyo and Wade of Baltimore and four grandchildren.

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Editorial

The slowdown's impact

GEORGE MITCHELL — the outspoken former Senator from Maine — built his career on making fun of President Ronald Reagan's economic theories.

Reagan, you will recall, was a major proponent of "trickle down economics," which held that if the big corporations and rich people did well, so would everybody else.

Mitchell specialized in ridiculing Reagan's point of view. What Reagan really wanted, Mitchell and his Democratic party allies asserted back in the 1980s, was to help the rich get richer at the expense of ordinary folks. Instead, Mitchell wanted taxes raised for the wealthy, with the money directly redistributed by the government to lower income groups.

One of the new levies Mitchell helped pass was a "luxury tax" on expensive boats, cars and private planes. This tax was the perfect vehicle for his ideology to express itself. After all, who could complain about a millionaire having to pay a bit more for his next yacht? The luxury tax was enacted in 1986 with hardly a whimper from anybody.

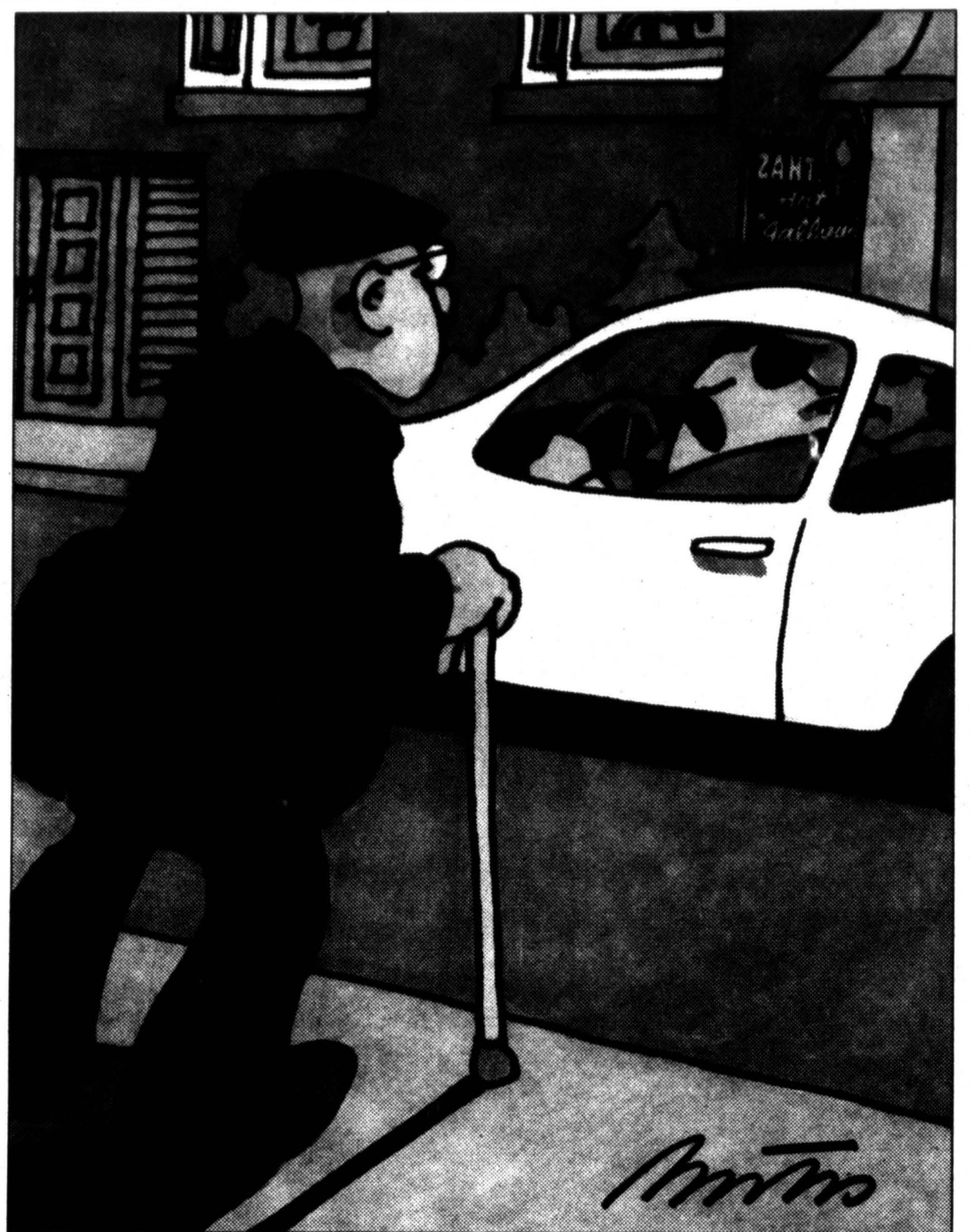
But while people of means didn't speak out against the luxury tax, they voted against it with their wallets. In the year after the tax was imposed, sales of yachts and private planes fell sharply. By the early 1990s, sales of yachts costing more than \$100,000 had gone down by 70 percent. Not only did gross-tax receipts from yachts actually decline after the tax rate was raised, thousands of workers in the luxury boat industry lost their jobs. Unfortunately for Mitchell, his own constituents suffered mightily because Maine is a major boat-building state. Before long, he joined a national chorus against the tax, which was repealed in 1993. If Mitchell still didn't believe wealth flows downhill, he sure couldn't deny that taxes do.

If the former Senator needed any more input on the widespread effects of a business slowdown, he could have read last week's Pine Cone, in which we reported that the collapse in tech stocks will have a major impact on local charities. The Packard Foundation was established by David Packard and his wife, Lucille, to give away a big chunk of the vast fortune they accumulated because of Mr. Packard's technical and marketing skills. The foundation specializes in supporting conservation and environmental programs, children's health and education. By 2000, with the stock market flying high, the foundation's assets were worth \$9.7 billion. That year, the Packard Foundation gave away more than \$600 million.

But this year, with the stock market in a steep decline, especially the tech sector, the foundation's assets are worth just \$4 billion. In 2002, its giving will be down to about \$250 million, foundation officials say.

The former president's spirit looms over this unfortunate situation, reminding us that a vigorous economy may be good for the wealthy. But it's good for everybody else, too, and especially for charities.

BATES



"We don't CARE about the Mission or the Tor House. Could you just tell us how to get to the beach?"

Letters to the Editor

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'Usual misrepresentations' To the Editor:

The Pine Cone's editorial of Sept. 13 contained the usual misrepresentations.

The Water District's mandate is to manage the water resource by protecting the environmental integrity of the Carmel River.

The finding of a deficiency in the legal water supply was imposed on the district by the state as a direct result of Cal-Am's mismanagement, and the relentless pressure exerted on former boards for increased water connections.

There is no viable substitute for the water district. A proposed Joint Powers Agency would be purely political without the safeguard of the district's mandate to conserve the resource.

A regional deal between Cal-Am and Duke Energy would promote reckless exploitation of our beleaguered Peninsula.

Responsible voters will repudiate this blatant attempt to remove water policy decisions from local control.

Janice M. O'Brien, Pebble Beach

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If you believe that pushing buttons on a machine then returning to place a tag on your car is more convenient than parking and walking away.

If you wish to see local shoppers take their business to the mouth of the valley, or Monterey, or Pacific Grove, or Sand City.

If you want tourists to be the only shoppers in Carmel, and tourist-oriented businesses to be the only ones that can survive, just like Cannery Row and Fisherman's Wharf, the only areas of the peninsula that

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Seniors' needs

Dear Editor:

Your report (Sept. 13) on the rejection by the Land Use Advisory Committee of the proposed development of an Assisted Care Living Facility at the mouth of the valley disturbs me no end.

First, I am upset because the actions of the LUAC raise questions about its objectivity. I am also concerned that your story suggested that the prime purpose of the facility would be to care for those afflicted with Alzheimer and related illnesses, and it failed to mention that almost nine months ago the county supervisors unanimously endorsed the need for a facility at its proposed location. All that was required for final approval was a final evaluation by the planning commission before wrapping up the project nearly 20 years after the need for such a facility was identified and several developers have seen their proposals rejected by no-growth constituents.

Here are the facts that cannot be refuted:

1. Today there are some 20,000 people over 65 in Monterey County (40 percent) getting older every day.

2. Some 5,000 already need some level of assistance with their daily living activities.

3. Nearly 2,500 of these are already candidates for our 12 -15 existing facilities in the area that can accommodate only about 300 residents.

4. Most of the existing facilities are old and marginal in respect to existing industry standards.

5. Because of the graying of America picture, demand for accommodations could double in Monterey County, creating a staggering bed deficit, a critical shortage of health workers and a public health crisis for our area worse than even our present and future transportation woes.

6. Majority of residents for the new facility would be female, aged 83 or older, either widowed or single.

7. Most residents will come from hospitals, their children's homes or their own residences (75 percent national figures report that occupants come from within 15 miles

and 87 percent relocate from within 25 miles of their residences).

8. In Carmel Valley alone there are nearly 1,000 residents at the retirement communities (Hacienda, Del Mesa and Pacific Meadows) who are ages 78-84, women, only 5 miles from the proposed site who definitely will be the most viable candidates for the facility. (Note: nationally nearly 15 percent of assisted living occupants come from retirement facilities — as they grow older they begin to require more assistance such as Sunrise will provide).

I have long contended that this proposal is being put forward by one of the most respected developers of AL facilities in the country. It's an opportunity the county can simply not afford to ignore. Based upon current census projections, the area's population over the age of 65 will double within the next 20 years. And, if you can believe it, based upon these trends, not just one but several new 80 to 100 bed ALs/Dementia care facilities will be needed.

The facts tell it all. The Supervisors could see it back in December last year. They have been patient in waiting for the process to give them the final conclusions they need. Now, let us see the rest of the community rise to the need and work together to help solve one of the most significant needs this county has both today and tomorrow.

Arthur Brown, Carmel Valley

Feasibility of desal

Dear Editor:

This letter relates to another one of Fred Keeley's pronouncements contained in the Monterey County Herald's water article on Sept. 17. Keeley is quoted as follows, "I think this plan (desalinization) is feasible because the dam will never be built."

Does Fred Keeley have supernatural powers that allow him to predict and decree that a dam will not be built? It would seem to me that the citizens of the Monterey Peninsula should determine whether the Dam should be built.

The Herald article states that our average monthly water bills would go up using desalinization water by \$41 per month as compared to only \$18 using water from the proposed dam. It would seem to be academic that a new referendum by the people would overwhelmingly support the dam. The previous referendum did not state that the

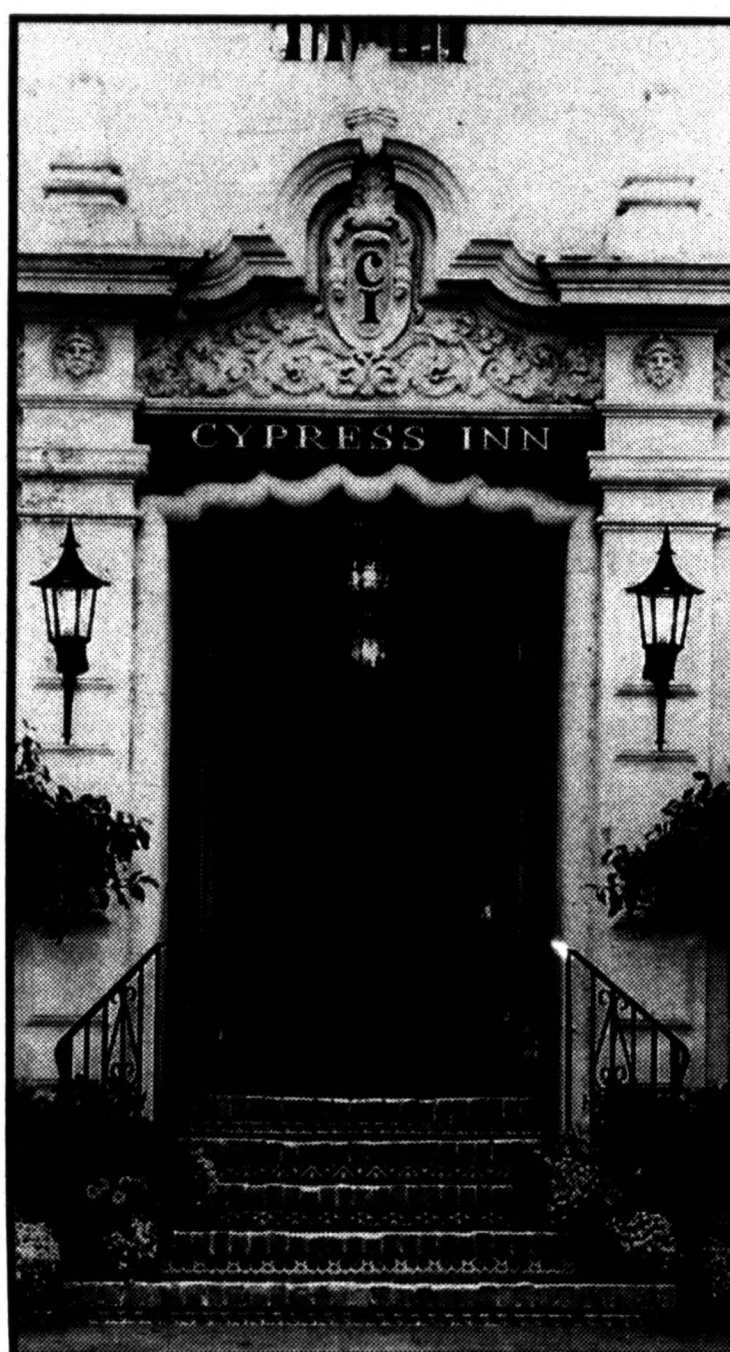
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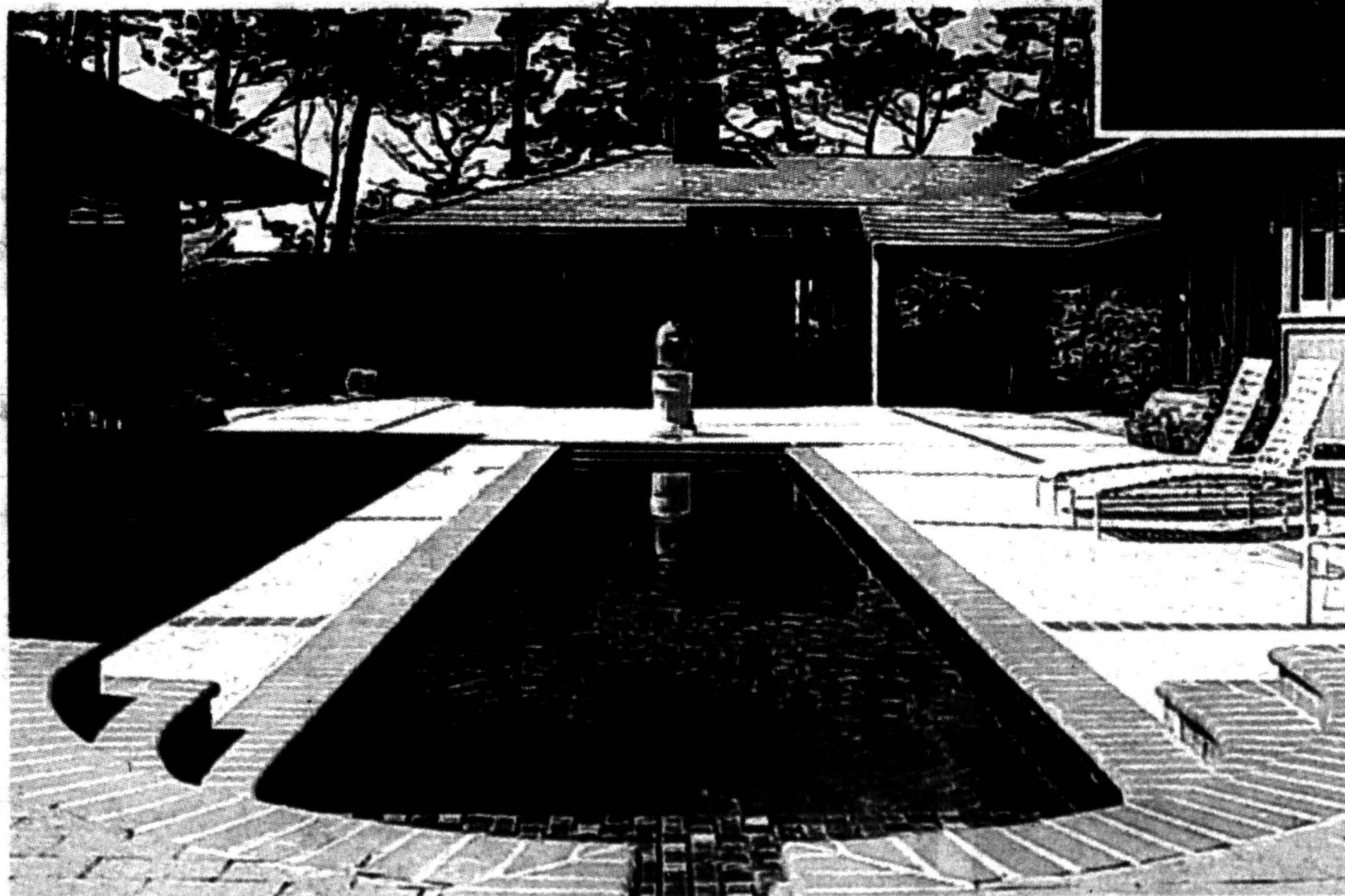
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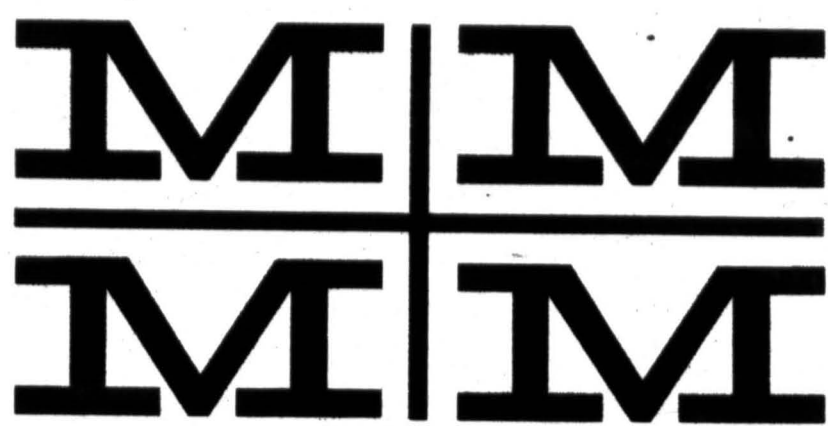
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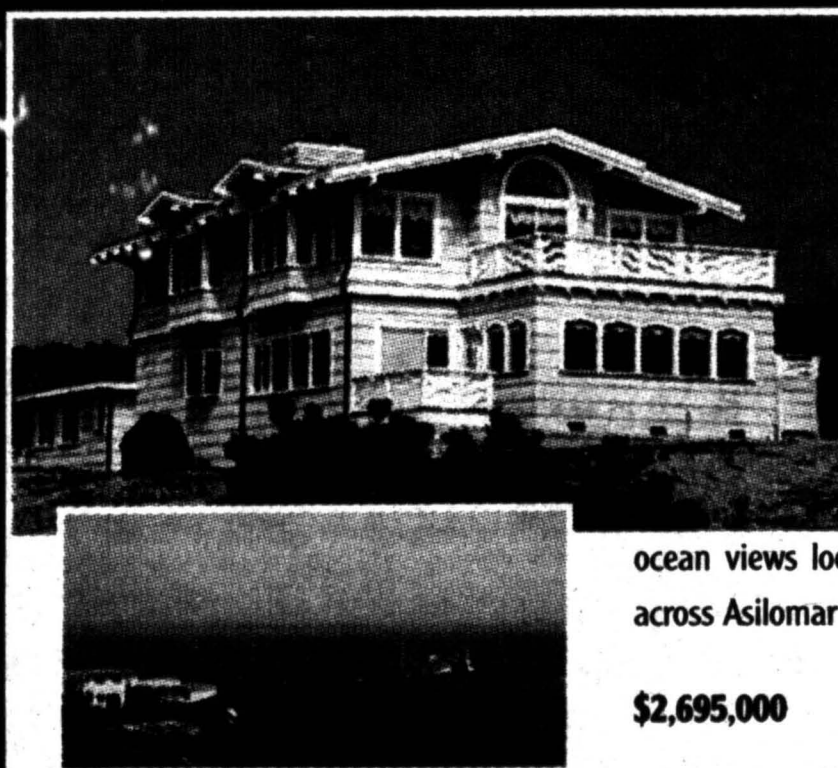
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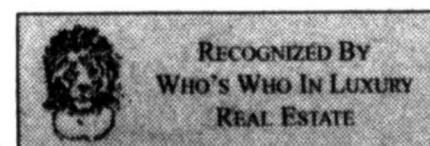
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Unpaid tax bills could land property on the auction block

By MARY BROWNFIELD

THE COUNTY tax collector can auction off more than 60 properties whose owners have failed to pay their taxes, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors decided without discussion Sept. 17.

State law requires the tax collector to sell the land and recoup the unpaid tax bills after the five-year grace period given to their owners has passed, according to Monterey County Treasurer-Tax Collector Lou Solton, but the county goes to every length to get people to pay what they owe before their assets end up on the block.

"We go the extra mile and try to work with lenders, creditors and third parties to get the back taxes paid," he said. "We're not in the business of getting people thrown out of their houses."

In his 28 years on the job, Solton said he has never had to sell a resident's home out

from underneath him, though he has sold a lot of undeveloped land.

Of the 67 tax-defaulted properties the board approved for sale this week — including homes in several Peninsula cities, timeshares in Pacific Grove and undeveloped land in Carmel Valley, Garrapata Canyon and Big Sur — Solton anticipates about five to be sold at auction. Some years he has been able to get back taxes paid on every single parcel.

Resolution can be found a number of ways, he said:

Land often falls into default when conflicts arise among heirs or between divorced property owners, but as soon as they learn they might lose their property, the taxes get paid.

When a bank is owed money on a particular parcel, it will often pay the delinquent taxes and then deal with the owner independently because a tax-default sale cancels any outstanding mortgages, Solton said.

After all efforts to resolve the unpaid tax

bills have been exhausted, the remaining properties are usually the least desirable.

"There's a reason the taxes haven't been paid," he said. "They're usually not usable parcels — not premier buildable property."

They tend to be landlocked, too sloped or oddly shaped. This year's list includes three minuscule parcels on Garapatos Road, a .351-acre rectangle off Carmel Valley Road, a triangle on Esquiline Road partially covered by a county-owned easement, a long, narrow parcel on Sycamore Canyon Road in Big Sur and 17 timeshares in the Pine Acres Lodge in Pacific Grove.

If back taxes are still owed, Solton hires a company to conduct in-depth title searches to check for liens not extinguishable by the sale — such as federal taxes — and then offers them for sale to the other jurisdictions in which they reside.

If only one or two properties remain, Solton can delay their sale to avoid the trouble of holding an auction for so few items.

Otherwise, Solton hosts a live auction in the board of supervisors' chambers in Salinas. Dozens of properties up for bid will draw as many as 50 or 100 people, but Solton said he can't remember a recent year when so many parcels made it that far. Fewer than a dozen will draw about 20 bidders.

Minimum bids are based on the taxes owed, according to Solton. The timeshares could go for as little as \$140, while the Sycamore Canyon parcel's minimum bid sits at \$6,600.

Any profits over the amount of back taxes are usually distributed to the former owners, who must file a claim with the county counsel's office to get the cash.

But if they still owe the feds, the IRS gets first dibs on any profits, according to Solton.

As for the event itself, which is tentatively set for January, Solton mans the mic without the typical auctioneer's cadence.

"We just do it in plain English," he said. "It's not a major operation."

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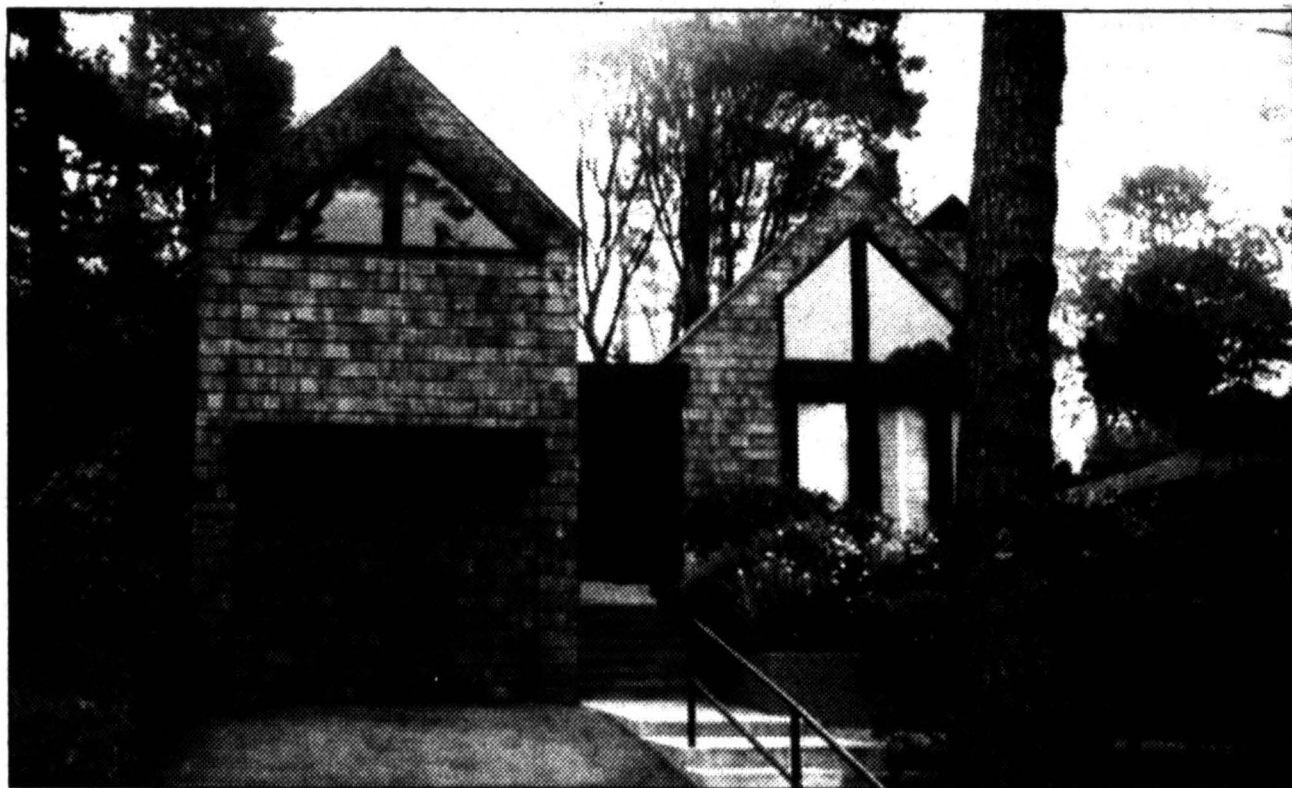
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PALO CORONA

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one moment you're driving through a grove of shady oaks and then just around the bend you find yourself looking up at towering redwoods.

The land — which includes the 4,500-acre Fish Ranch, the 4,800-acre Little Horse Ranch and six other smaller properties — is home to an estimated 500 species of plants, including numerous wildflowers, native grasses, trees and shrubs.

Leahy said The Nature Conservancy will soon send out ecologists to conduct an inventory of all the plant life on the ranch — an undertaking that could very well lead to the discovery of rare or endangered species.

The land trust and the conservancy will spend the next 18 months working on a management plan for the 10,000 acres that will open up much of Palo Corona as a public park and set aside certain areas for wildlife protection.

"We need to come up with the right mix," Leahy said, noting that the groups hope to involve the public early on in the conservation effort. "We're talking about the whole north end of the Big Sur Coast."

More than 30 miles of the former ranch's dirt roads already exist on the land — making the task of creating hiking trails quite easy for the conservation groups. "The existing roads will provide an incredible trail network," Brown said.

Ultimately, Palo Corona's hiking paths could be linked to the trails winding through Point Lobos Ranch, Garrapata State Park, The Mitterdorf Preserve and the Ventana Wilderness, creating "a hiker's paradise," Brown said.

Treasures of the land

A trek across Palo Corona offers numerous vantage points to admire other scenic spots — Carmel Bay, Pebble Beach, Jacks Peak and even an eagle's eye peek at Point Lobos State Reserve.

On the recent tour of Palo Corona, Brown's promise of wildlife sightings was fulfilled almost on cue. Just a few minutes after the journey began, a coyote scampered in the native grasses.

Before the day was over, a bobcat, red-tailed hawk, deer, kestrel and turkey vultures also made appearances. Brown said mountain lions, golden eagles, steelhead trout and red-legged frogs also live on the land. Even endangered

California Condors from the Ventana Wilderness Society's sanctuary have been spotted flying over the ranch.

Visitors venturing a few miles deep into Palo Corona are transported far away from the busy life just outside the ranch's borders.

"As the condor flies, we're two miles from the Crossroads, but it feels like a thousand," Brown said. "You wouldn't think you could find this vast wilderness so close to town."

While much of the land's old-growth redwoods were harvested by early homesteaders who began settling in the area in the 1800s, some spectacular thousand-year-old trees remain.

The land also boasts several undisturbed Monterey pine forests — including one Goliath of a pine several hundred feet tall. "Pines don't grow this tall," Brown said, looking up in awe of the towering tree.

In addition to the plentiful forests, Palo Corona is home to native grasslands, 16 different streams flowing to the Carmel River and some of the "best wildflower displays ever seen," he said.

"What makes this property so diverse is that the topography ranges from near sea level to over 3,000 feet," Brown said.

Cattle, which can be seen grazing on various areas of Palo Corona, are actually helping the two conservation groups care for the land. Leahy explained that the cows have been a part of the land for so long, keeping the growth of exotic plants in check, that the environment could suffer if they were taken away.

The Carmel stone used in the original construction of the Carmel Mission is believed to have come from a quarry on



PHOTO/TAMARA GRIPPI

Tree lovers will delight in Palo Corona's plentiful forests such as this oak grove.

Palo Corona. A scar from the stone harvest is still visible when visitors first enter the ranch.

The true value of Palo Corona goes beyond the vast natural beauty and wildlife that exist on its acres.

Both Leahy and Brown are proud of the fact the ranch links 13 other areas of open space held by the land trust and the State of California, including the Mitterdorf Preserve, Garrapata State Park and Point Lobos Ranch.

"Studies have shown that if you don't preserve enough linked properties, you can lose one-half of the wildlife and plants," said Brown.

Leahy explained that if you add the acreage of surrounding lands, Palo Corona's impact grows exponentially. "If you include the 13 smaller properties of the Big Sur Land Trust, state parks and the regional park district, you have about 20,000 acres," he said. "If you include the Santa Lucia Preserve to the east, now you're at 40,000 acres, and if you include Los Padres National Forest to the south, you're at over 200,000 acres."

KEELEY

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identify the most significant pollutants and their sources. It would also describe options for improving indoor air quality in public schools.

■ Local elections officials could offer a secure online absentee ballot application with the passage of AB 2277.

■ AB 2386 would promote self-sufficiency among CalWORKs recipients who have physical, mental or emotional conditions or learning disabilities by implementing reasonable workforce training requirements and extending time limits for attending community college.

■ AB 2442 would create a task force to make recommendations and address issues related to the Child Abuse Central Index maintained by the Department of Justice.

■ AB 2486 would increase enforcement of the state's hazardous materials laws.

■ After serving as an appointee to the California Coastal Conservancy board for four years, Keeley drafted AB 2727, which would increase the agency's authority to obtain options to purchase property and update its conservation practices.

Keeley said the majority of the bills reflect his devotion to protecting the environment.

"Most of my legislative time is spent on environmental protection issues," he said.

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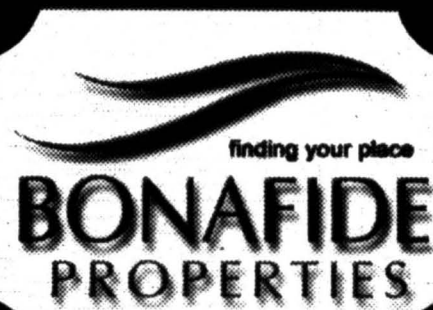
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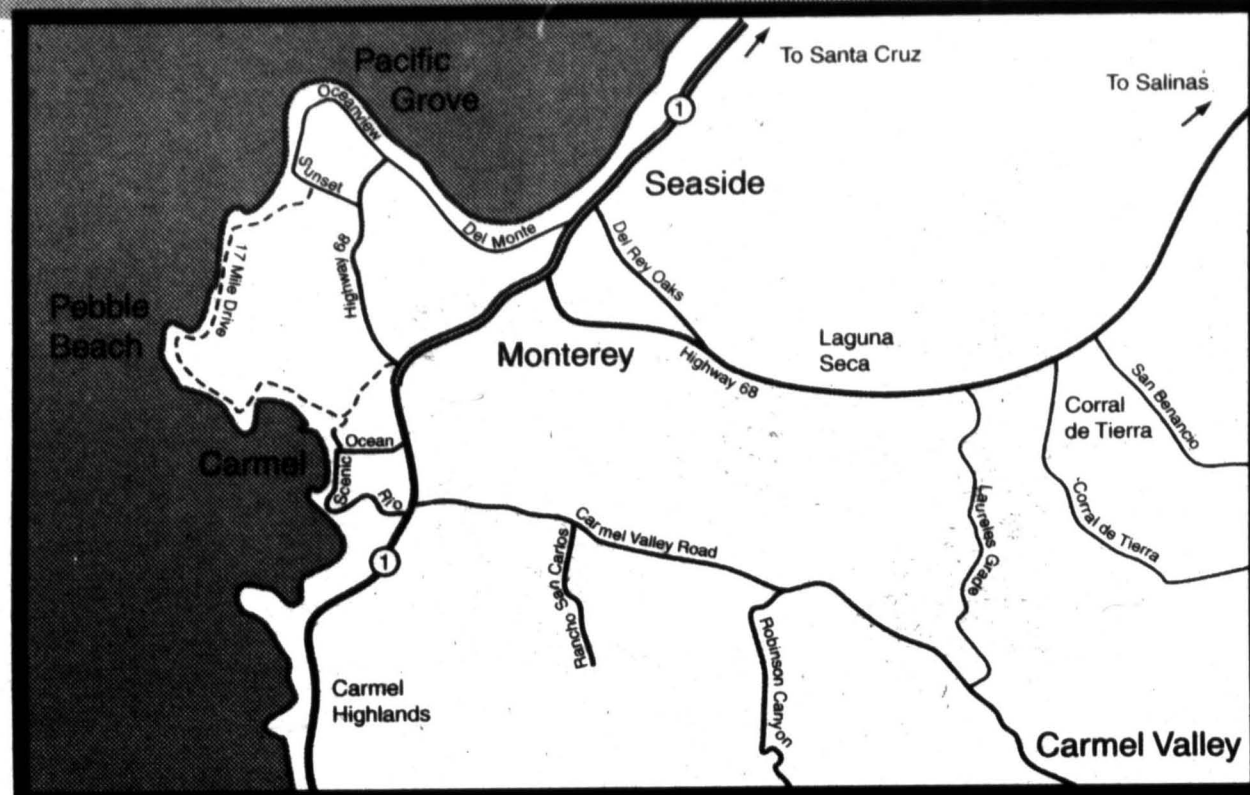


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26385 Rio Ave x 17 Mile Dr	Carmel	
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Mission 2 NW of 13th	Carmel	
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\$1,575,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 11-1
Lobos 2 SE of 2nd	Carmel	
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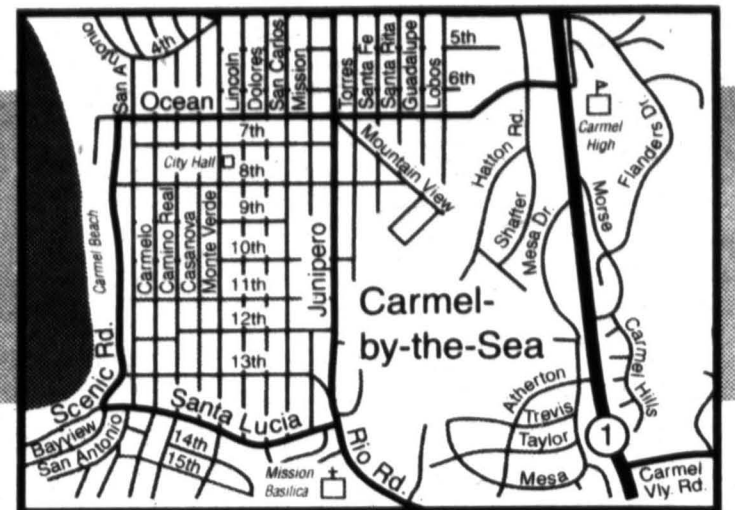
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25247 Hatton	Carmel	
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$1,695,000	5bd 4ba	Sa & Su 1-4
25000 Santa Fe St	Carmel	
Bonafide Properties		601-2263
\$1,735,000	4bd 4ba	Su 1-4
3369 Trevis Way	Carmel	
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$1,795,000	3bd 2ba	Sa & Su 2-4
Mission 2 SW of 13th (new const)	Carmel	
The Mitchell Group		624-0136
\$1,890,000	3bd 3.5ba	Sa & Su 1-4
Vizcaino 8 SW of Mountain View	Carmel	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$1,995,000	2bd 1ba	Sa 1-3
1 NW San Antonio	Carmel	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
\$1,999,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 2-5 Su 1-5
SW Cor Camino Real & Ocean	Carmel	
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$2,250,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 11-1
2513 San Antonio	Carmel	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2226
\$2,295,000	3bd 2ba	Sa Su 12-4
Lincoln & 12th SW (new const)	Carmel	
The Mitchell Group		624-0136
\$2,375,000	2bd 2ba	Su 1-3
2448 Bayview Ave	Carmel	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$2,495,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 1:30-4
Camino Real 2 SE of 7th	Carmel	
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\$2,495,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 12-3 Su 2-5
26337 Carmelo Street	Carmel	
The Mitchell Group		624-0136
\$2,495,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 3-5:30
11th 2 NW of Torres	Carmel	
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$2,975,000	3bd 4ba	Su 1-3
NW Cor Casanova & 10th	Carmel	
The Mitchell Group		624-0136
\$3,495,000	5bd 4ba	Su 1-4
2807 14th Ave	Carmel	
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$3,495,000	3bd 3.5ba	Su 1-4
2730 Santa Lucia Ave	Carmel	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$3,550,000	4bd 3.5ba	Sa Su 1-3
26247 Inspiration Ave (new const)	Carmel	
The Mitchell Group		624-0136
\$3,600,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-3
3 NW San Antonio & 4th	Carmel	
San Carlos Agency		624-3846
\$3,895,000	3bd 3.5ba	Sa 1-3
26156 Ladera Dr	Carmel	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
\$5,250,000	4bd 4+ba	Sa 1-4 Su 1-7
Scenic 5 NE of 13th	Carmel	
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$5,950,000	2bd 2.5ba	Sa & Su 1-4
6 SE of 9th	Carmel	
Yeomans Realty		624-2563

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\$279,500	1bd 1ba	Su 1:30-3:30
9500 Center St #7	Carmel Valley	
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\$2,595,000	4bd 4.5ba	Sa & Su 1-4
980 Via Mirada	Monterey	
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\$559,000	5bd 2.5ba	Sa 2-5 Su 3-5
17554 Sargamill	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
Burchell House Properties		626-5045
\$998,500	5bd 3.5ba	Sa 11-1
26133 Legends	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
Burchell House Properties		626-5045
\$1,250,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-4
23715 Spectacular Bid Lane	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
Bonafide Properties		915-5196
\$1,295,000	4bd 3.5ba	Sa 12-2:30
27770 Mesa Del Toro	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
The Mitchell Group		659-2267
\$1,595,000	5bd 4.5ba	Sa 10:30-1:30
23775 Spectacular Bid Lane	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$1,675,000	4bd 3.5ba	Su 1-3
405 Estrella d'Oro	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$1,699,000	5bd 4.5ba	Su 1-4
208 Madera Court	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$1,795,000	4bd 3.5ba	Su 2-4
25892 El Cajon	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2223
\$2,495,000	5bd 4.5ba	Su 12-2
25926 Puerta del Cajon	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
The Mitchell Group		659-2267
\$3,295,000	4bd 4.5ba	Su 2-4:30
105 Via Milagro	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222

PACIFIC GROVE

\$499,000	1bd 1ba	Sa 1-3 Su 3-4
840 Spruce Ave	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		649-6225
\$559,000	2bd 1ba	Sa & Su 1-4
217 Congress	Pacific Grove	
John Saar Properties		625-0500
\$565,000	2bd 1ba	Sa 11-3
112 18th St	Pacific Grove	
John Saar Properties		625-0500
\$568,500	2bd 2ba	Su 2-4
742 Sinex	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
\$575,000	2bd 1.5ba	Su 1-3
207 14th St	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2226
\$589,500	3bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
154 16th St	Pacific Grove	
John Saar Properties		625-0500
\$625,000	2bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-3
#71 Glen Lake Dr (Gate 033)	Pacific Grove	
Fouratt-Simmons		624-3829
\$649,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 12:30-2:30
925 Ruth Court	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$669,000	3bd 1.5ba	Su 12-2
619 Alder St	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$675,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 2-4
2908 Ransford Avenue	Pacific Grove	
The Mitchell Group		624-6482
\$725,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 12-3
302 Granite St	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		649-6225
\$729,000	3bd 2ba	Su 12-2
908 Laurie Cir	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$745,000	4bd 2ba	Su 1-3
880 Maple	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2226
\$749,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 2-4
142 14th St	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$749,000	2bd 1ba	Sa & Su 1-4
1060 Crest	Pacific Grove	
Burchell House Properties		626-5045
\$750,000	2bd 1ba	Sa 2-4
315 Melrose	Pacific Grove	
John Saar Properties		625-0500
\$795,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 2-5
708 Granite	Pacific Grove	
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$819,000	3bd 1.5ba	Su 1-4
1231 Surf x Acropolis	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$860,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-3
306-6th St	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$865,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 1:30-3:30
862 17 Mile Drive	Pacific Grove	
The Mitchell Group		646-2120
\$895,000	3bd 4ba	Sa 1-3
871 Bayview	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2226
\$895,000	2bd 1.5ba	Sa 1-3
624 Forest	Pacific Grove	
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\$895,000	2bd 1.5ba	Sa 1-3
624 Forest	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2226
\$950,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-3 Su 1-4
16 Beach	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2226
\$1,575,000	4bd 3ba	Su 1:30-4
605 Pine Avenue	Pacific Grove	
The Mitchell Group		646-2120
\$1,650,000	4bd 3.5ba	Sa 2:30-6
923 14th Street	Pacific Grove	
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\$850,000 3bd 2ba Sa 2-4
4135 Sunset Lane Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2221

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1134 Mestres Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222

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4089 Sunridge Pebble Beach
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1133 Wildcat Pebble Beach
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4153 El Bosque Pebble Beach
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\$1,095,000 4bd 3ba Su 2-5
3133 Stevenson Pebble Beach
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4118 Pine Meadows Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2223

\$1,175,000 3bd 2.5ba Sa 1-3
3036 Valdez Pebble Beach
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\$1,190,000 4bd 3ba Sa & Su 2-5
3042 Lopez Pebble Beach
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\$1,250,000 3bd 4+ba Su 2-4
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Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222

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2913 17 Mile Drive Pebble Beach
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\$2,895,000 4bd 4ba Su 12-3
1492 Bonifacio Pebble Beach
Alain Pinel Realtors 622-1040

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1071 Spyglass Woods Dr Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2221

\$2,900,000 5bd 4ba Su 2-4
978 Coral Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2222

\$3,150,000 3bd 2ba Sa 2-4 Su 1-3
3088 Hacienda Dr Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte 626-2223

\$3,600,000 2bd 2.5ba Su 2-4
1140 Porque Lane Pebble Beach
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\$4,250,000 4bd 3ba+ Sa & Su 1-4
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446 Shelly Way S Salinas
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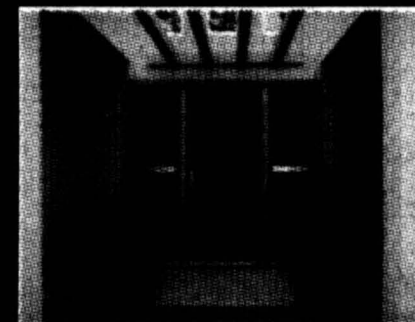


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Pebble Beach

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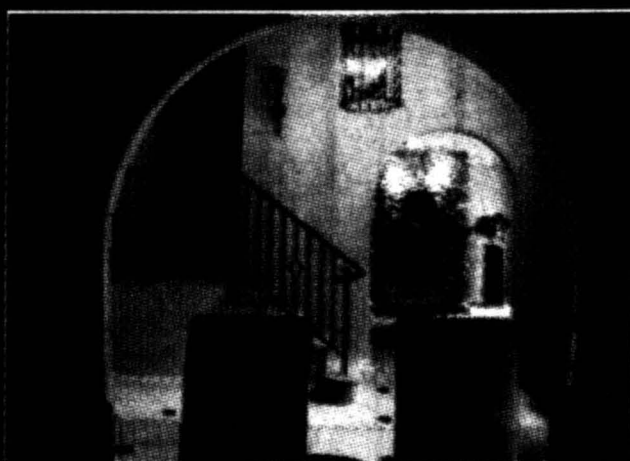
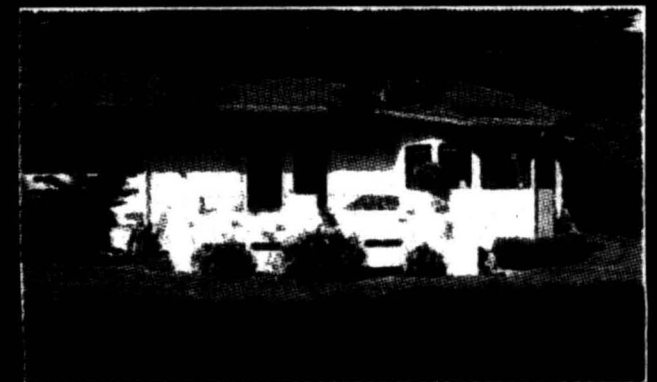


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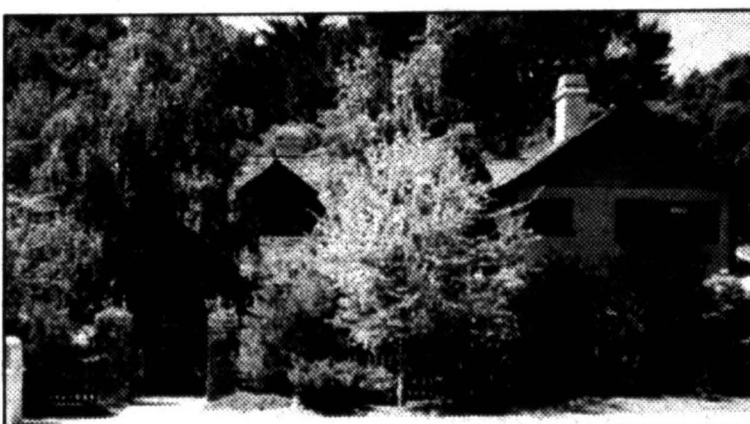
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George Ferguson, Carmel

'Nature does it best'

Dear Editor:

For the continuing education and possible entertainment of your readers, I would like to respond to Mr. Skidmore's most recent letter (Aug. 30). If, as he says "Obviously a continued opening of the lagoon by bulldozer is the ecologically wise way to go," why didn't Mother Nature not supply a bulldozer to every lagoon? Why does the Dept. of Fish & Game, the National Marine Fisheries, the State Parks, and Coastal Commission not favor this approach? Now, I like Howard Skidmore, he is a gentleman, a generous citizen, and journalist. He and his neighbors live close to the lagoon, enjoy its beauty, and are threatened by high water. They live in the lagoon on man-made land; fill was dumped into the lagoon to create their lots.

I understand the desire to bulldoze as usual but the misconception that it is ecologically sound is dead wrong. The lagoon is a very important stop on the western flyway for migrating birds. They need the invertebrates that live in the wet land to help them on their way south. That is why the Carmel Lagoon is a bird sanctuary. Starry Flounders,

Stag horn Sculpine, and Three Spined Sticklebacks all need water in the Lagoon.

A second or third generation Carmelite whose initials are W.A. Jr. (he doesn't like publicity), informed me that before the houses and the bulldozers, the lagoon usually opened to the sea way to the north by the rocks, Stewart's Cove, near the stairs. He said it stayed open even with a small flow and did not flush all the water out of the lagoon, it only lowered it some.

The misconceptions of Mr. Skidmore is that the bulldozer and nature are just the same only the bulldozer does the job a little sooner. This is not true. The breach, in nature, cuts a more gentle slope across the sand bar and does not completely remove it, thus maintaining some water in the lagoon.

When the County does it they want an over-full lagoon, a minus tide and a flood flow to blow out the sand bar so they don't have to come back after the waves try to rebuild it. Nature does it best. We need to copy nature or build the flood wall or both.

Roy Thomas

Endless remodeling

Dear Editor:

In the 1930s, my grandparents bought "Moon Gate-by-the-Sea." I was reared there in the 1940s and, to this day, I have many fond memories of it.

During the past five years, I have observed its endless remodeling and I can certainly empathize with the Lambo's frustration—enough is enough!

There needs to be a time limit placed on all remodeling projects—small and large alike—for the sake of everyone's quality of life, especially when the new owners do not reside there and, in turn, do not experience the noise pollution for themselves as those nearby do.

John Wm. Schiffeler, Carmel Valley

Good news about Forest Theatre

Dear Editor:

For the past few years there has been concern and consternation by neighbors and the public about the future of Carmel's unique outdoor Forest Theatre. We all read about bad news but often the resolutions of problems and situations don't make the front page. On behalf of the Forest Theatre Foundation I'd like to report that important progress has been made. The city began the process with some fundamental improvements. They renovated the electrical wiring, moved the concession stand from Sunset Center to the Forest Theatre, spruced up the grounds, eased the parking situation and increased directional Theatre signage in downtown Carmel. The foundation (with the special help of Sharon Meresman) has done its part by raising \$30,000 for a new sound system. These are first steps but they are vital ones. The Foundation wishes to thank Mayor Sue McCloud and the city council, Denny Gambill and the Carmel Cultural Commission, Brian Donoghue, Community & Cultural Director and Mike Branson of Forest, Park & Beach and countless others in the city administration for their support in these beginning efforts to preserve and improve this historic theater.

Walt deFaria, President

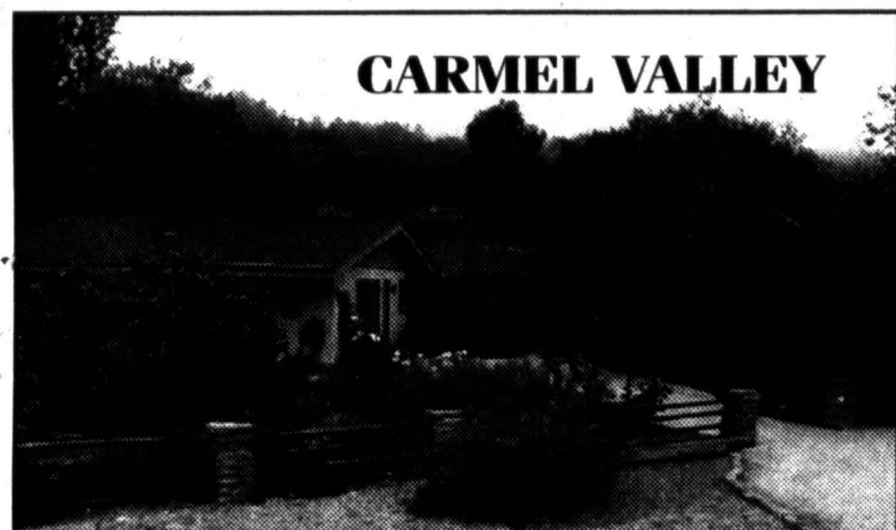
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Impressed with city staff

Dear Editor:

We ran into an unexpected situation while doing improvements for a new tenant in a building in downtown Carmel, and I would like to commend the staff at city hall for their logic and expediency in handling this matter. Thank you. I am impressed.

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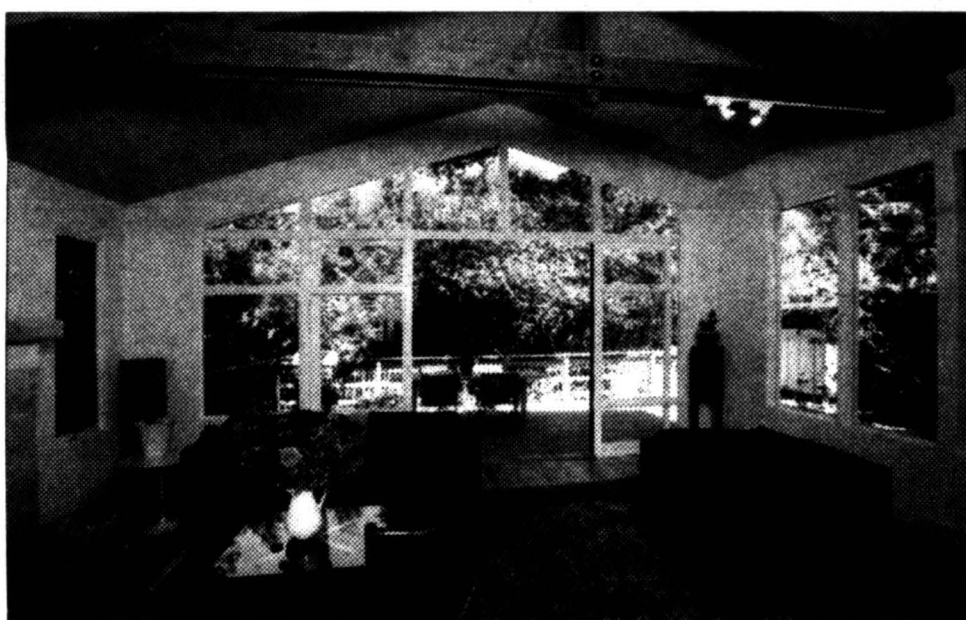
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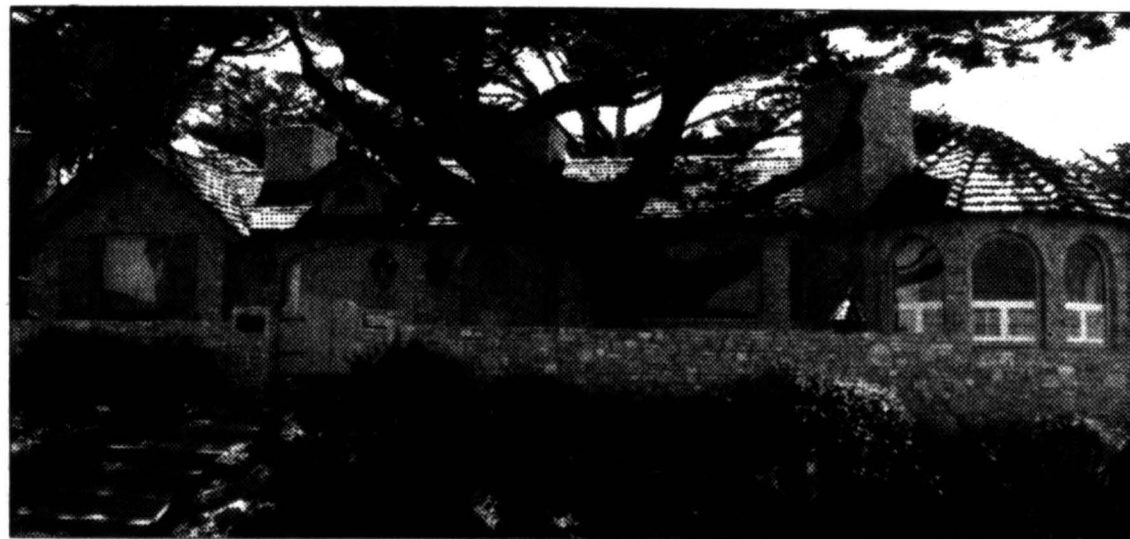
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reported she arrived home to find the lights on and believed she saw someone moving around in front of her property. Area search conducted. An open door was found but nothing was missing or disturbed.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a dispute at Dolores and Seventh. Contacted a female in the manager's office and she was visibly upset. She had met a subject on the Internet and they had booked a room for the night, but he had been drinking continuously and she decided she did not like the change in his character. No criminal activity or physical contact. She secretly removed her belongings from the room and called friends to pick her up. She said she had no interest in speaking with him again. She was given a courtesy transport to the station, where she waited to be picked up by her friends.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Management advised there were subjects in the pool making noise at San Carlos and Fifth at 0107 hours. The subjects were contacted and found to be inebriated but compliant. They returned to their rooms without incident.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Resident reported receiving annoying phone calls at home and at work from a subject with whom she had been in a dating relationship. She received 10 calls in the past week and contacted the department, but did not wish for formal criminal charges.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a dog vs. dog incident on Carmel Beach. Contacted the owner of a Catahoula leopard dog and an Irish wolf hound.

Pebble Beach: Report of appropriation of lost property by finder at the Tap Room at the Lodge in Pebble Beach.

Carmel area: Report of suspicious circumstances at a Dolores Street residence.

Pebble Beach: Report of a peace disturbance at a Wranglers

Trail residence.

Carmel area: Received information at a Brookdale Drive address.

Carmel Valley: Received information at a Schulte Road residence.

Carmel area: Report of suspicious circumstances at an Ocean View residence.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Civil standby requested while a party left a motel at San Carlos and Fifth. This was a result of an earlier disturbance call in the pool area. The party left without incident.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a broken lock to the rear door of a building at Ocean and San Carlos. The lock was examined and no signs of tampering were found. Subject advised to contact a locksmith to get a new lock.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a barking dog at a Franciscan Way residence. A small white dog in the front yard ran to the rear yard and the fence was secured and water left. No one home at the location. Card left.

Carmel Valley: Middle Ranch Road resident requested assistance in removing a rattlesnake from her property. The snake was removed.

Carmel Valley: Camino de Travesia resident reported an unknown male came to her front door asking about a room to rent.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female from Orange County wanted to inform the department about her checks being stolen. She learned the suspect has been writing checks at antique stores on

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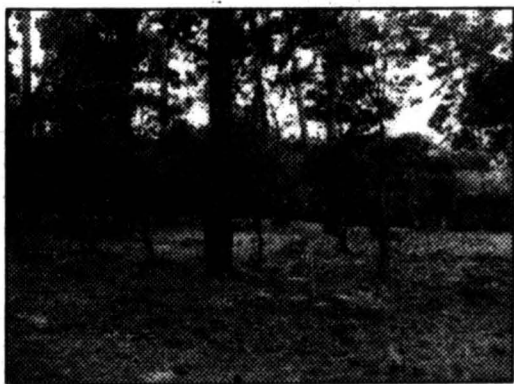
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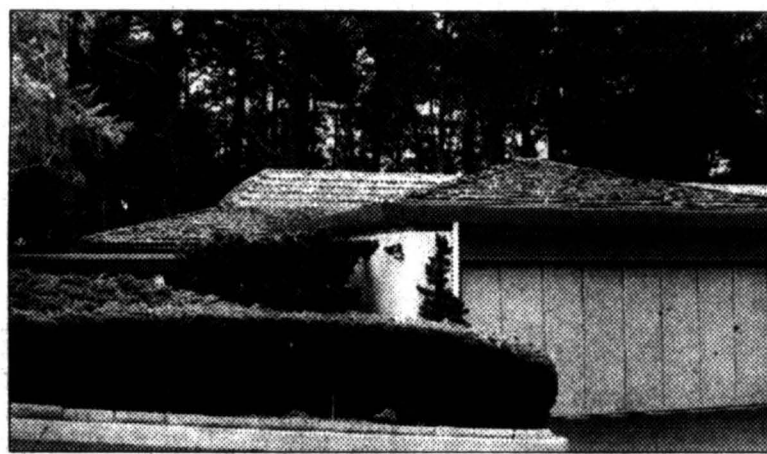
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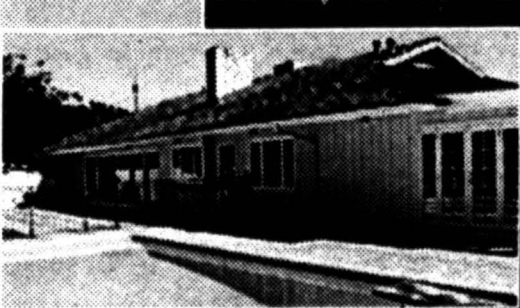
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POLICE LOG

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the coast and wanted to notify CPD in case someone attempted to use the checks in this location.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of petty theft from an unlocked vehicle parked at San Carlos and Eighth. Taken were \$169 in currency, clothing and miscellaneous items.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Contacted a subject who was using some sort of coloring agent to make his sand sculpture of a dragon green in color. He advised he was using a water-based paint diluted and applied to the sand with a spray bottle. He was advised of the CMC which does not allow the use of any color-

ing agents to be applied or used on any sand.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a civil matter at Mission and Sixth. Subject who was upset over his employment left 09/07/02 and had returned to pick up his last paycheck. He attempted to talk to someone there but was told to leave the premises. Female stated he came in and demanded his last week of wages and started a disturbance while customers were present, so she contacted CPD. She agreed to mail him his final check.

Carmel area: Male subject reported finding a notebook on Carmel Beach.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Complaint of loud subjects on Carmelo. All three agreed to go back to their hotel rooms.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lincoln resident under the direction of a new caregiver and receiving new medication became frightened and called 911. Conducted a welfare check and determined she was being cared for and did not require further assistance.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a past-tense verbal dispute between residents of a building at Perry Newberry and Escolle Way.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a prowler at the Pine Terrace Apartments at Mission and Third.

Carmel area: Flanders Place resident left the house during the night without letting anyone know where he was going. His parents reported him missing in the morning. He was found at Carmel High School, where he had slept on the bleachers.

Carmel area: Unknown person(s) vandalized the victim's vehicle sometime between 0830 and 1230 hours while it was parked near The Crossroads Shopping Village on Carmel Center Place.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Ongoing civil matter involving real

estate projects paid for by a Tennessee resident who is now unable to make contact with the person who received the funds.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Resident requested an escort to her home. She was in court today and a subject was served a restraining order. She feared the subject might be waiting for her at her house. House checked clear and she was advised to contact police if the person showed up at her residence.

Carmel Valley: A 53-year-old bicyclist was riding eastbound on Carmel Valley Road downhill at approximately 20 mph along the shoulder. His front tire popped and he lost control. The bicycle fell on its left side, ejecting the rider. The rider sustained head and hand injuries and was transported to CHOMP, where he later expired from his head injury. He was not wearing a helmet at the time of the accident.

Big Sur: Female with the River Inn reported a male was sleeping on a bench in front of the inn.

Carmel Valley: Deputies responded to a Carmel Valley Road address on report of suspected child abuse. After the investigation it was all found to be unfounded.

Carmel area: Hacienda Carmel resident reported finding a flat tire on her car. There was no damage to the tire. She suspected an unknown person let the air out during the night.

Big Sur: Female reported an unknown male masturbated in front of her on Highway 1 near the Esalen Institute.

Carmel Valley: Report of a vehicle burglary that occurred at the Rancho Cañada Golf Club.

Carmel Valley: Female reported a theft occurred from the Carmel Valley Racquet Club.

Carmel area: Report of a Toyota Camry with Texas plates parked in the same spot on Rio Road for two weeks without any activity.

Carmel area: Ribera Road resident reported that during the night her mailbox was damaged. No suspect information.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject arrested at Mission and 13th for public intoxication at 2050 hours.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of power lines down at Camino Real and 12th. Damage caused by two large limbs that fell from a tree located on private property. Agencies notified to respond to the scene.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of loud music at a Lasuen residence at 0304 hours. Contacted the subject, who stated he would

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a loud stereo at Mission and Third at 0214 hours. Contacted a subject who was sitting in a vehicle waiting for a friend to leave his girlfriend's house. He was warned and agreed to turn it off.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Guadalupe resident reported someone broke his dining room window while he was watching televi-

sion. He heard the loud noise but did not investigate until later. No suspect information.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Citizen assist at an Alta residence where a female was having a problem with her landlord. She requested documentation that she was in the process of moving out and had taken photos of the interior.

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"SEVEN GABLES" COTTAGE! Brand-new 3-bedroom, 2-bath charmer on a quiet street has been beautifully designed and built. With hand-hewn beams, stunning hardwood floors, Carmel stone fireplace, and French doors leading to a private courtyard. \$1,575,000.

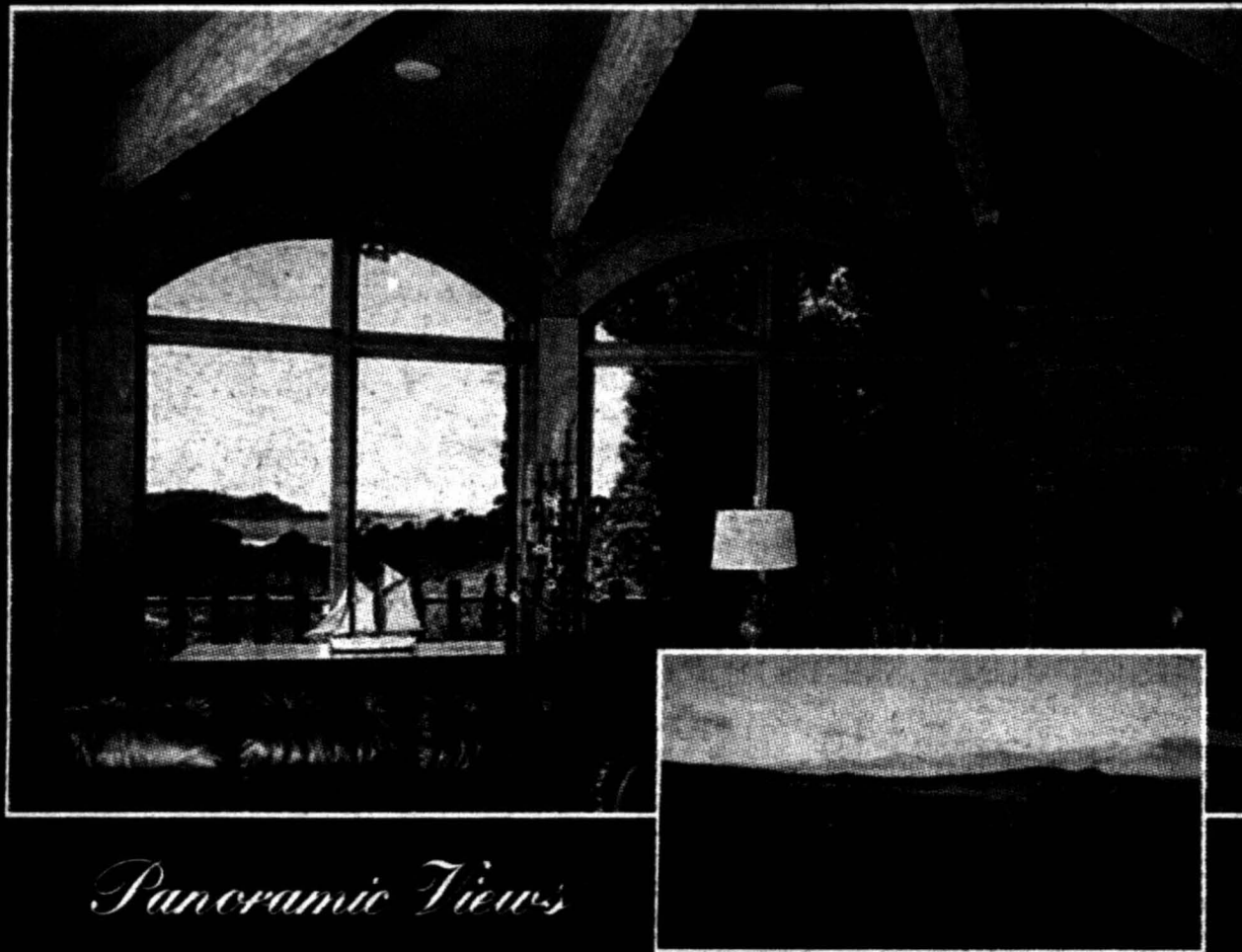


HIDDEN TREASURES! This fabulous hide-away, is adjacent to a canyon and surrounded by redwood trees. Beauty and light are created by walls of glass in the living room and fifteen skylights. Three bedrooms, 3-1/2 baths, and two-car garage. \$1,890,000.

"MEMORIES ARE MADE OF THIS!" On preferred "Carmel Point," this lovely residence is sited just yards from the both Carmel & Stewart Beaches. A reverse floor plan with 3 bedrooms & 2 baths, an open kitchen, dining area, living room and spacious deck. \$1,725,000.



CARMEL, SPACIOUS & ENCHANTING! An adorable home on a quiet lane near village shops. This like-new about 3400 sq. ft. 4-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath home is near Carmel Woods Park and sits on an 8800 sq. ft. lot. Includes guest suite separate entry. \$1,995,000.

Carmel...
White sandy beaches, ocean views and a picture postcard setting.

Panoramic Views

Beautiful designer's showplace, each room the result of meticulous planning and incredible attention to detail. An Old World ambience has been lovingly created from the original Comstock by European and American artisans. Dramatic vistas of the ocean, mountain and meadow complete the magnificent picture of this 4-bedroom, 4-1/2-bath Carmel treasure. \$4,995,000.

MONTEREY

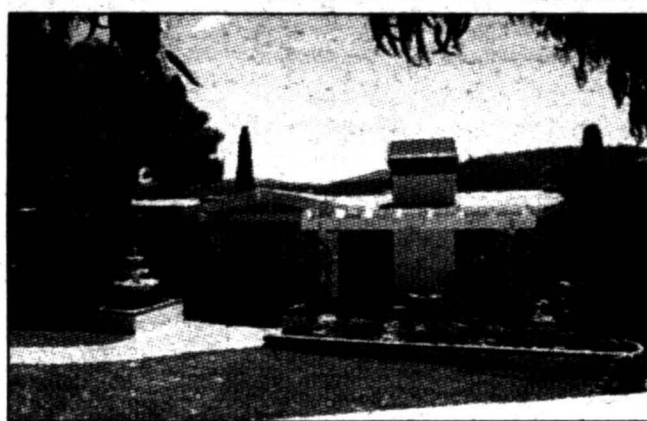
SUNNY NEW MONTEREY! Wonderful opportunity! This 3-bedroom, one-bath home is located across from Archer Park. Features include hardwood floors, a nice-sized yard, room to expand, and some bay views. Potential is great for a first home or a weekender. \$439,000.

CLASSIC ESTATE! In a coveted setting is this about 3300 sq. ft. quality home plus guest house on .75 acres. Spacious great room, dining room, family room, 5 bedrooms, 3 baths and bonus room enhanced with hand hewn beams, arches and oak plank floors. \$2,100,000.



VINTAGE TUDOR COTTAGE! A charming 2-bedroom, 1-bath home with warm wood floors & open-beam vaulted ceiling. City views or peaks of the ocean are seen from the bay window in the living room with fireplace. In one of Monterey's best neighborhood. \$549,000.

CARMEL VALLEY

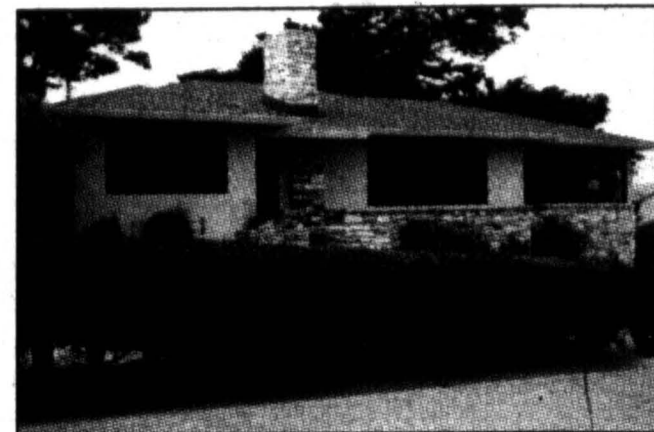


SENSATIONAL! An immaculate, exceptional 4-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath home with decorator touches throughout. Hardwood floors, wood-framed windows, 4 bedrooms & 3-1/2 baths. Sited on 3-1/4 acres. \$1,150,000.

PACIFIC GROVE

STORYBOOK SETTING! On a corner lot directly across from George Washington Park is this beautiful home. Including a handmade cherry front door, hardwood floors, 3 bedrooms, 1-1/2 bath, separate family room and dining room & large living room. \$669,000.

NEAR THE SEA & BRAND NEW! Move into this charming, newly constructed 3-bedroom, 2-bath home located two blocks to the water's edge. Quality evident in the top-of-the-line fixtures and granite counters in the kitchen and the upgraded carpet. Walk to shops. \$749,000.



BAYVIEW CONTEMPORARY! Modern elegance throughout this 3-bedroom, 2-bath home. Travertine marble flooring, hardwood floors, handmade cherry doors, and custom windows in the living room and sunroom open to the bay and city lights. \$1,595,000.

PEBBLE BEACH

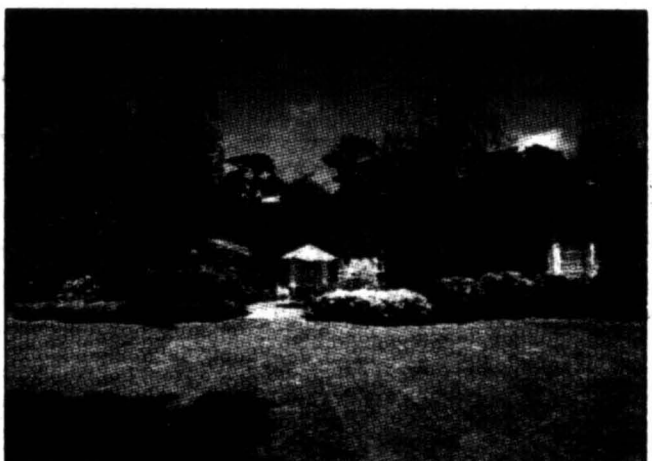
OCEAN VIEW CONDO! Overlooking 7 golf courses and 6 miles of oceanfront from the Ocean Pines Complex is this luxurious 3-bedroom, 2-bath condominium. Formed from two merged units, the value of this property is as good as it gets! \$895,000.



SPANISH BAY PERFECTION! One of the most beautifully appointed residences - the "best of the best." Extensive use of hardwood, marble, granite, custom cabinetry, crown mouldings, 3 bedrooms & 3 baths. Adjacent to the fairway, it offers sweeping ocean views. \$2,975,000.

PRIVACY & VIEWS! Very private location, on over an acre, with views of the ocean & forest. This 2-bedroom, 2-bath home with 1-bedroom guest house, three-car garage and office space, has been meticulously cared for and recently updated. \$1,695,000.

THE RESIDENCES AT SPANISH BAY! Unique opportunity to own this 4200 sq. ft. end unit offering fabulous views of the 12th fairway. Recently remodeled kitchen, hardwood floors, soaring ceilings, floor-to-ceiling windows, 3 large bedrooms plus a den/office. \$2,395,000.



CYPRESS POINT ELEGANCE! An elegant, beautiful, gated home on 1.65 landscaped acres close to the ocean. Offering two master suites, a library/3rd bedroom, 2 full, and 2 1/2-baths. Patio with fireplace overlooking lovely gardens and a duck pond. \$3,600,000.

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